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Things in General.

AST Saturday from the noon hour until half-past two o'clock the corner of King and Yonge streets was the scene of as much activity and as thoroughly congested by the crowd as I ever remember seeing it even on the busiest of Industrial Fair days. It was almost impossible to get across the street without running and dodging between street cars, cabs, drays and wagons of all descriptions. The big policeman who stands in the center of the cross streets was on one occasion run into by a cab on one side and a brick-wagon on the other, while a street car was coming at him in front and the motorman of another was pounding the gong behind. Though he was pushed about by the horses he seemed to take it quite good-humoredly and quietly directed the traffic as best he could. A number of citizens loitered about the corner asking what this unusual concourse meant, and their enquiries elicited the fact that loads of excursionists had come by boat and rail and were seeing the town. All the carriages and tallyhos of the place seemed to be out for the occasion, and our temporary guests must have thought Toronto a very busy place on a Saturday afternoon. Certainly such an impression, if they carry it away with them,

I asked the big policeman if he knew where the people came from, and he told me that he understood they were mostly from Illinois, Indiana and Cincinnati; that they had come by the thousands to the Falls, and that a great many of them had ridiculous with regard to newspapers, but as a matter of fact evidently crossed over to see Toronto. "From the enquiries they make," he said, "I think many of them are going down to than the cost of the benevolent institutions of a country would Montreal on the steamers." Enquiries at the railway offices equal. failed to elicit any information as to a special excursion or a common purpose; the crowd simply happened to congregate. If this can happen a few times a season, proper enterprise on the part of this city could make it happen a couple of times a week.

The World has been doing good work in pointing out the large number of families from the Southern States who come up here to spend the summer. The other daily papers might follow suit, and by a continual reiteration of the fact this city might be established as the place for our United States neighbors to spend the summer in. Nothing will bring the people more swiftly to Toronto than the rumor that this is the place to which thousands of sensible people are flocking. A gentleman standing on the corner while the crowd was greatest made a suggestion which was new to me, and probably to many others. "We have a couple of thousand students here through the fall, winter and spring, attending the colleges, universities, conservatories, and that sort of thing. Their rooms are vacated just about the time that this tide of travel should come here. People from the States, if they knew they could occupy these vacant rooms for the summer by paying from two and three quarters to four dollars a week board, would come here in bigger crowds than we see on the streets to-day. Schoolteachers and students from the States who need a change of air would find it here at less cost, and of a better quality, than in any other locality to which they could go. The lodging-house and boarding-house-keepers are in the majority of cases none too well off, and would find such an influx a great assistance in making their yearly accounts balance. Don't you think you could do something in SATURDAY NIGHT to organize a movement to center more excursionists here?"

The suggestion is so good a one that it needs no comment. asked a city official about it. He regretted that there was no such movement, but he thought it was necessary and would be very "I imagine these people, even though they come for only a day, will spend two or three dollars apiece, and that, too, amongst people who most readily put the money in circulation. If we could have one excursion a week of a thousand people that would mean from two to three thousand dollars a week income. If we had a chance to get a factory here that would spend that much in wages the whole City Council would chase after it, but this other line of money-making seems utterly neglected.

The passenger agent of one of the leading railways said there seemed no possibility of joint action amongst the railroads leading from the Southern and Western States to Toronto, in the matter of bringing excursionists, and the Canadian roads would find it very difficult to organize any such thing. "Perhaps," he added in conclusion, "there is too little attention paid to it.

Mr. J. A. Richardson, Canadian Passenger Agent of the Wabash, told me that one of their excursion managers had brought in between four and five hundred strangers, mostly from Western Illinois and Indiana. "You know," he said, "we have leased the old Air Line of the Grand Trunk, which gives us a through road from St. Louis and Chicago to Niagara Falls. Our siding s and tracks are all crowded with trains, and if we could handle them we could bring any number of excursionists into Toronto during the summer. You see all these people with boxes and valises who are using my office to deposit them, they are going to Montreal, as nearly all those that came from the Falls to Toronto are likely to do. Our excursion manager says their trip has so far been without a hitch. The weather has been cool, and some of the passengers used to the intense heat of their places of habitation have had to put on their wraps. I am certain that they are all enjoying themselves. If Toronto would engage a first-class newspaper man who knows some thing about transportation systems ne could go through all the south and south-west and get all the advertising that he needs from the newspapers for nothing, and there would be no empty rooms left in this city in the summer months. There should be a bureau of information here in the center of the city where every boarding and lodging-house could be registered, and the small fee paid would be sufficient, in addition to a grant from the city, to finance the whole enterprise." Mr. Richardson is one of the most popular and able representatives of United States roads in Canada, and his advice is worth listening to. and his railroad, the Wabash, is doing enough for this province to deserve the kindest of recognition.

I am simply presenting these fragmentary opinions to set our Toronto people thinking whether they are doing enough to encourage a business which is exceedingly profitable even as an ephemeral concern, but which is likely to bring many permanent residents and to attract enterprises of greater or less magnitude

The statement that all of the two thou-and students in our institutions are outsiters who simply spend the academical term here, may be too large, as a few may be residents, but it might be well to add that hundreds of Toronto families, particularly those families in which there are students who need a change of air, absent themselves from the city in the summer. and that a very large number of furnished houses could be had for three or four months, where families from the South could come with their own servants and find a comfortable home, charming places of resort, and cheap and even sumptuous living It must be a pericularly hard blow to Saturday Night to be sent to a citizen. I am not more encouragement, or needs it more, than the necessitous people who are forced to take lodgers and boarders. The hotels can look out for themselves, but of course they would reap the boarding-house-keepers of the city that nearly all of them knew better circumstances and are forced to work hard for what they get, and the addition of a big volume of tourist traffic and I mention this even at the cost of repetition, for no one deserves

summer residents for three months of the year would be a godsend to hundreds of them. Nor would Toronto alone benefit if furnished houses could be disposed of for the summer. Muskoka and all the attractive places would get more Toronto people, as well as strangers, who desire a change. Niagara

Falls, St. Catharines, Belleville, Cobourg, all the places that have made some provision for taking care of tourists would also be benefited, and in the end Toronto would get a big hotel which she has needed badly for many years and is unlikely to get unless transient travel warrants the enterprise. ALKING about the management of affairs such as this, Mr.

A. J. King, who is a member of the King Darrell Produce Co. of this city, and who recently returned from Great Britain after doing everything he could for this country in a semi-official way, very strongly re-asserts the theory that the Canadian Government should engage a certain amount of space in some of the leading papers of Great Britain and Ireland, which should be continually filled with articles tending to popularize the Dominion as the very best place in the world for young Britishers, and old Britishers for that matter, to settle. If his suggestion is properly followed up no doubt great good will come out of it, as it strikes me that the British newspapers under existing circumstances would not be slow to assist in a Canadian propaganda. We deserve well of them, and it only needs organization to obtain full advantage of their good will and generosity. "Generosity" may strike some people as being the press does more for nothing to indirectly help enterprises Newspapers are strictly commercial and insist upon

stances arise so soon and spoil all the point there was to his remarks. "Don" was glad to find himself in company with Dr. Allison, and now, alas! It turns out that Dr. Allison was nowhere near. Following is a letter which will explain Dr. Allison's position accurately:

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To the Eddor of the Star:

Sir.—Permit me to say that the report published in the form of a special telegram in yesterday's Star of some remarks of mine made to the Methedist congregation of Sackville hast Sunday is in a high degree incountered and misleading. The use of quotes and the content of the Methedist congregation of Sackville hast Sunday is in a high degree incountered and misleading. The use of quotes of the past of the partial and inexact statement. The sendence is unfairless of this partial and inexact statement. The sendence is unfairless of the partial and inexact statement. The sendence is communication justifies them but I beg to inform you that as regards Problibition I neither "preached it down" nor pronounced it "a failure wherever tried."

Among the subjects treated of in that part of the pastoral letter of the New Beunswick and Prince Edward Island Conference, on which I was asked to speak. I found the approaching Problibition plebiscite. On this subject but little is contained in the pastoral letter itself, beyond a reminder in substance) that a vote in the negative on the plebiscite question will be a vote in favor of "the saloon." I ventured to say that this mode of putting the subject did not commend itself to my judgment, inasmuch as I found no difficulty in conceiving of negative votes being cast by men who had no sympathy with "the saloon." Honest Christian men, who were anxious to suppress rather than augment, if not a large, yet certainly an appreciable portion of the Canadan et or of the corale consists of good tot datationed men, whose study of prohibitory le sislation and its consequences have led them to doubt whether the times in Canada are just now ripe for its adoption, that I should have been glad if the pastoral letter, which in general was worthy of the highest commendation, had contained a well re saxed paragraphy adapted to remove the scruples and hesitation of such men. As to my

liquor traffic than the editor of the Guardian, is that an attempt to force people into being Prohibitionists would increase drunkenness and be a retrograde step. Unfortunately the editor of the Guardian and other gentlemen like him who are writing on the sentimental side of this question, are busily at work proving that the rum traffic is an evil thing, and that perfect immunity from temptation to drink intoxicants would be a blessing. I grant them their position readily enough, and would subscribe as liberally as any of them have subscribed to bring about this phase of the millennium. This is plain enough, and I ask them simply to confine themselves to the question, WILL PROHIBITION PROHIBIT? Will not the passage of a law such as they ask do more harm than good? Will it not, in fact, destroy much of the good work that has already been done to further the cause of temperance? I ask the public to carefully read Rev. Dr. Allison's letter and decide for themselves whether he does not practically take the same position as I do; if he does not doubt most seriously "whether Prohibition and the suppression of intemperance are necessarily connectable terms.

The Christian Guardian is unjust when it attempts to prove that SATURDAY NIGHT has gone any further than this in the matter of the plebiscite. In the introduction of its editorial the Guardian says, "To put words he never uttered into the mouth of a prominent man for the purpose of bolstering up a desperate cause, is a method that is sometimes resorted to with effect."
It is a method to which the editor of the Guardian is resorting, and I beg him to notice that I have been fairer than he, inso-much as I insert the whole text of Rev. Dr. Allison's letter and everything pertinent in his editorial. If the editor of the Guardian thinks that Prohibition will prohibit, will reduce drunkenness, crime, misery, let him quote his authorities and not waste time in arguing the sentimental and emotional side of the matter, which, for purposes of discussion, may be very well left

URING periods of war and the self-absorption of each citizen in a question which is really a side issue, the whole prospects and peculiarities of the individual are lost sight of. The United States verges on this condition. The people think of nothing but what the United States can do and what they as atoms of the United States may be. The vortex into which they are all falling seems to be invisible to them all, but does not escape the vision of those who are looking at the entire situation from a fairly impartial point of view. The difficulties were great in the old times; the problems are enormous now. How a nation can come through such a great change would have been insoluble years ago, but the people of the United States have the greatest intelligence, most prehensile touch, and the most responsive public spirit which can be found, and we imagine these problems will be solved. But they will be solved at the expense of the taxpayers, and the result, the grand result, may not be seen in our generation, but it will be seen in the future. In the present condition of affairs the President of the republic and the politician who supports him may seek for small gleries by great announcements and infinite proclamations; the President and the politician of the future must grope in the dark for many years for the successful point of contact with the absolutely foreign populations which have been, or are being, absorbed. Nothing can save the republic some day from disruption and ruin but the control of a great man. The republic has to say whether a great man shall rule or a small man shall ruin. So the world passes, even nations the creatures of a circumstance, the victims of the failure of a plan, the glorious because of the success of a scheme. If the United States could guarantee its new provinces or states the inviolable principle that the greatest man shall rule, or if it could be certain that a good man should rule, all would be well; but the opportunities of an oligarchy are so great that no doubt someone will try to seize and control the situation. Imperialism is a splendid idea, but how does Imperialism suit the spirit of the United States? The people may be willing to invest their individual rights in some great man, but the choice of the great man will year by year become more difficult, and at last the project is liable to be released as intolerable and impracticable.

Canada, watching the whole performance and being the people most concerned, will delay from generation to generation the discussion of the intrinsic merits of the whole matter until perhaps their share in the solution of the great problem may be material. But what we must look for nevertheless remains the same, that we must dominate this continent; must have the people; must have the great output; must have the say in what is done-otherwise an Anglo-American alliance will mean our absorption, and the gifts which are liable to be given by the chieftains of one side to the high priests of the other side are likely to be Canadian things with which we are loath to part. Surely we sit at the crossing of the roads and the future should guide us more in what we ask than the past guides us in what



A SUMMER RAMBLE.

being paid only when the enterprise is selfish, local, or in as to the universal failure of prohibitory legislation were never made either directly or in the form of rhetorical questions unwarrantably put competition with the customers who pay them and who do not expect to see rivals given space and attention for nothing.

A Canadian might easily be employed in London and find himself quite busy correcting the misstatements and misapprehensions which are continually finding a place in the British No decent newspaper ever refuses to correct a mistake, and in the correction of mistakes with regard to popular prejudices against our climate and general ignorance regard to our resources an exceedingly beneficial line of advertising could be had.

MONGST all the religio-secular enterprises of Canada there is none so shrewdly conducted as the Methodist Book Con-cern and the *Christian Guardian*. The Book Concern makes money, and the Guardian is also supposed to be a profitable enterprise because of its large circulation, and amongst our religious contemporaries it is admittedly noticeable for the cleanliness and propriety of its advertisements. Very frequently denominational papers are made the medium for a class of advertisements which should be admitted to the columns of no secular paper. Editorially the didactic air which was conspicuous in the time of Dr. Dewart has been replaced by a blandly critical and rather condescending regret that all people do not see through the spectacles of its editor. In the issue of Wednesday, to the Star by Rev. Dr. Allison of Sackville, N.B. As much of the editorial as concerns this paper, and all of the letter by Rev. Dr. Allison, are inserted. It is only fair to say that the Toronto also said to have been led astray.

in my mouth.

The most astonishing part of the alleged report is its concluding e: rsunally I could not vote for the saloon, and I cert tinly could not r a measure which was only calculated to deceive a portion of ople, and which would not further the cause of temperance one

ticle."
Your correspondent to the contrary notwithstanding. I expressly
ted that while my mind was not wholly free from doubt. I intended
give Prohibition the benefit of the doubt, and vote in the affirmation
the approaching plebiseite election. The further statement to the
eff that I characterized the plebiseite measure as "only calculated to
eive a portion of our people, and its one which would, not further
cause of temperance one particle," is wholly and unqualifiedly
rue.

DAVID ALLISON.

ckville, N.B., July 26, 1898. The italics are mine, and the words so quoted are sufficient to warrant all the deductions in the article I wrote, excepting. of course, the publication of the paragraph which the reverend gentleman entirely repudiates. The kindliness of tone and thorough candor of the letter make the statements upon which my article was based stronger than in the first published report which it is intended to correct. Take, for instance, "I simply referred to these cases to show that facts do not authorize the not aucommon assumption that Prohibition and the suppression of operance are necessarily connectable terms." My attitude in this matter has been that, admitting, for argument's sake, all he evils of the liquor traffic to be as great as they are said to be by Probibitionists; admitting that Canada and the world itself would be immensely benefited by the entire suppression the 3rd inst., there was an editorial introducing a letter written | liquor traffic; admitting that those engaged in the traffic either as partakers of the profits or apologists for its existence, are horoughly wrong, wicked at heart, and unworthy of the esteem of their fellow citizens, the case for Prohibition has by no means Telegram and "doubtles several other well-meaning papers are been admitted or proved. WHAT HAS TO BE PROVEN IS THAT PROHIBITION WILL PROHIBIT; that the passage of a law deaying the right of any man to manufacture, import

Local Improvement Rates From Wednesday, the 5th of October, to Monday, the 19th of October, both days inclusive (Sunday excepted): 6 34 Sewer Roadway Sidewalk. Grading, Widering, Street Extension, &c. Snow Cleaning

BOVE is a photo-engraving of a section of a city assessment bill which I recently received and paid. We pay our taxes as we pay nothing else, almost without dispute. told that we owe the city so much and we are aware that if it is not paid large costs will be added and the bailiff will probably be in possession of the property.

I ask my fellow-ratepayers in Toronto who receive similar bills to the one I have just paid, if the above is a businesslike proposition. I have to pay apparently for five things, two ewers, two roadways, and a sidewalk. As I happen to live on a corner these things are possible, and I do not see why I should ot have to pay, unless the time has expired, for two sewers, two sidewalks, two roadways. There has been no street extension nor any other scheme by which the thing could be enlarged, but having lived in the locality between fifteen and sixteen years I have seen all sorts of things done and I know that there have neen two sewers built, two sidewalks built, and three roadways built, but not having always lived on or owned the same property I have nothing by which to check the account that is sent me. The sewer on the side street may have been a twenty-year proposition; the payment for the pavement may be exten over any number of years; one cannot carry this sort of thing in one's memory. The Jarvis street part of it may be ten years or twenty, though I think it is only ten.

The question that arises in my mind is the propriety of a city permitting such an account to be sent to a citizen. I am not

which leaves the door wide open for fraud? I have paid my without asking questions. If I live I suppose I will keep on paying; if I die, what little estate I may leave will keep on paying. What is to prevent the Treasury Department from keeping on charging them long after the period when payments are no longer due? As I said before, I have nothing with which to check these bills unless I go to the City Hall and examine the records. It is not the business of a citizen of Toronto to go to the City Hall and check the records; he should have a businesslike account presented to him, and such an account filed with the one previously received would check itself.

The amount of this local assessment is fifty-three dollars, which is quite a bill. Would you or anybody else accept an invoice from a private concern of fifty-three dollars without any statement of facts, without any data as to when the thing began or when it will end? We are accustomed to pay unto Casar what is Cæsar's, but we ought to know when Cæsar is done with us on this local improvement business. This year's bill is no exception, though Mr. Fleming told me that when he was Mayor he changed it and had a businesslike statement made as to whether we were paying the first or fifth or tenth year, and what we were paying for. The Assessment Commissioner says that it is not in his department, but that the City Treasurer has to do with it. There should be a universal demand on the part of the citizens to get a proper accounting each year for the money they are spending. They should know when the acco began to run and when it will end. A statement should be made of how much the whole thing cost in each instance, for what we save in clerical labor in putting up a scrawny account like the one I have had photographed, would be easily lost ten times over by our citizens by one fraudulent entry which could easily be made to benefit a couple of people who might be in collusion at the City Hall.

To further impress this matter on the mind of the reader. suppose a general-goods merchant sent out a bill like this:

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Would anyone think of paying this without knowing what the items meant, when the goods were bought, when delivered? Not for a moment. I think the citizen of Toronto ordinarily scrutinizes his bill and asks the merchant when the engagement was made, when the goods were delivered, and when instalments, if they were bought on the instalment plan as we buy our local improvements, began and when they would end, Millions of dollars have been handled in this loose fashion Everything may be all right; I presume everything is all right; but I will never pay another tax bill without having the items set forth. I may have to go to the courts, but I will cheerfully suffer the expense and trouble of demanding the individual items of my bill in some intelligible and businesslike fashion. The Lord knows we pay taxes enough, and it is hard enough to pay them; and if the ratepayers who have not yet settled their taxes go one by one and demand a proper statement of the whole affair, next year we won't have a bald entry made against us by some irresponsible clerk who knows that his figures on a tax paper will have to "go" with the taxpayer, no matter whether they are right or not, or no matter whether they can be understood or not. Patience has for east ceased to be a virtue in this matter, and the system that is being followed, as ex-Mayor Fleming admits, allows ample room for fraud. Some of the sewers that were built long ago were on the twenty-year instalment plan, some of them were ten; some of the sidewalks were built on one system, some on another. What do we know about all this except that we have to pay? If you own a house that five years ago was the property of somebody else, you will have no tax bill in your possession showing when the payments for the sidewalk began or when the payments of the roadway began, or when the payments of the sewer began. Out of forty or fifty thousand taxpayers, probably not one will take the pains to ask for details. They pay the money : it is easier than investigating. The man who had the original tax bill with regard to some local improvement is probably paying on some other local improvement that somebody else originated and holds the tax papers for.

It is enough to make one garrulous and excited to think that this sort of business in being done. Go to the City Hall and find the details for sooth! We do not have to go to our grocer or our baker, or those with whom we deal in larger matters, to find the details; they are presented to us in a bill which we can understand. The City Hall people need a very hearty shaking up on this thing. While they are doubtless honest, yet supposing forty thousand people were the taxpayers on forty thousand places, paid eight dollars a year sewer tax or sidewalk tax which they should not pay, it would mean over three hundred thousand dollars, and collusion would not be necessary amongst more than six or eight employees, and the rake-off would be nearly fifty thousand dollars apiece per year. I do not intimate that such is the case, but what I do reiterate is that we should have some means of checking our bills.

THE best definition of a cad which I have heard is that he is the man who kisses and tells. Ernest Terah Hooley is evidently a man who deserves the title of being a monu-mental cad. If he paid two thousand pounds to have peers To shake hands with such a person or to introduce such a person to another peer, or to a decent man of any kind, should have been worth ten times as much. The man who goes into partnership with the better class of society should have either some breeding or a great deal of capital. As far as I am fools enough to take money in order to associate themselves with such an adventurer. Monetary necessities are sometimes so acute that we can hardly blame a man for becoming a criminal under the circumstances. No one can excuse a man for giving away his pals either in the formation of companies or the planning of a burglary. There must be honor amongst thieves and some code by which we can judge a man, or no business, large or small, can be safely conducted. Men as a rule are very credulous. They will pay their tax bills without proper information, will pay debts of honor which are barely remembered, and gentle men will be gentlemen always no matter what it costs. Talking is one of the fool things indulged in mostly by cads and small sharpers who are discovered in the act of trying to do big things under the shelter of other names than their own. I do not know how it will strike other people, but I think Hooley is a beast, and it is to be hoped his career will stop other beasts and abominably low-minded business people from injuring the

The Abdication of Man

Elizabeth Bisland in the North American Review for August argues that Man has voluntarily abandoned his heroic place i the eyes of Weman by becoming a sordid money chaser, careless of his person and of the impression he creates on the female mind. "In the midst," she says, "of the excursions and alarms of war and preparation for war, a sudden and great silence has fallen upon the everlasting discussion of the sexes. . . . The most vociferous of the 'unquiet sex' have been regarding respectfully the sudden transformation of the plain, unromantic man who went patiently to business every morning in a cable car and sat on a stool at a desk, or weighed tea, or measured ribbon, into hero ready to face violent annihilations before which even her imagination recoils. . . . War legitimatizes man's claim to superiority. When the sword is drawn he is forced to again mount that ancient seat of rule from which he has only recently been evicted; or rather from which he has himself stepped The democracy of sex at once becomes ridi culous-the old feudal relation reasserts itself. It is nine voice raised to protest against the situation. The entire sex, as represented in this country, has, as one woman, Me-Up.



HON. ROBERT BEAVEN OF VICTORIA, B.C. Who was called in by the Lieutenant-Gorernor of Brit Columbia, but failed to form a Cabinet.

fallen simply and gladly into the old place of nurse, of binder of wounds, of soother and helpmeet. Not one has claimed the woman's equal right to face villainous saltpetre, or risk dismemberment by harbor mines. I believe this to be because woman prefers this old relation. I believe that if man were willing she would always maintain it; that it depends upon him whether she returns to it permanently or not.

'Like other subjects, woman required of her master two things -panem et circenses, bread and circuses. When the industrial changes, brought about by the introduction of machinery, put an end to the old patriarchal system of home manufactures, man found it less easy to provide for his womankind-more especially his collateral womankind-and without any very manifest reluctance he turned her out into the world to shift for Here was a shock to her faith and loyalty! The allpowerful male admitted his inability to provide for these sisters. cousins, aunts and more distant kin who had looked up to him as the fount of existence, and had toiled and fed contentedly under his roof, yielding to him obedience as the natural provider and master. Woman went away sorrowful and-very

"This alone was not enough to quite alienate her faith, however. Woman was still, as always, a creature of imagination-dazzled by color, by pomp, by fanfaronade. A creature of romance, adoring the picturesque, yielding her heart to courage o power, to daring and endurance-all the sterner virtues which she herself lacked."

Miss Bisland proceeds to argue that man has disregarded the lessons of history and has cast off all attractiveness of attire, consulting only warmth and ease in dress. "'Jaccuse' the man of abandoning his mastership," she says, "and becoming a bourgeois in appearance and manner through a slethful desire J'accuse man of carrying further this democracy of sex by adding rigid plainness of behavior to ugliness of appearance, fergetting that woman, like the child and the savage, love pomp of manner as well as of garment, and that what she does not see she finds it hard to believe. Every wise lover soon learns that it is necessary to reinforce the tenderness of his manner by definite assurances of affection several times in every twenty-four hours. Then, and then only, is a woman sure she is loved. How can she believe man heroic unless he use the appearance and manner of the

'Sir Hilary of Agincourt, returning from France,' found his lady from home, and he and all his weary men-at-arms sat there -mailed cap-a-pie-throughout the entire night until she returned to welcome them home and receive their homage. What if at other times Sir Hilary may have been something of a brute! Lady Hilary, flattered by this fine piece of steellad swagger, would, remembering it, forgive a thousand failures

of temper or courtesy.
"When El Hamid held the pass all through the darkness while his women fled across the desert, and his foes feared to come to hard grips with him, not knowing he stood there dead, propped against the spear he had thrust into his mortal wound to hold himself erect-there was no female revolt against the domination of men who were capable of deeds that so fired women's imaginations

In the old days, Miss Bisland says, man undertook to be hero to one more intimate than his valet. He took the trouble to please woman's imagination. "I accuse man of having wilfully east from him the noblest crown in the world-of having wrongfully abdicated. War has at least this merit, that i forces him to drop the vulgar, careless ease of the bourgeois and resume, for the time at least, those bold and vigorous virtue which made him woman's hero and cheerfully accepted master.

Fresh Air Fund.

Received from A. J. Burke.

Archbishop Walsh.

Christian Guardian, Aug. 3

The rather remarkable omission in this otherwise laudatory notice is that no reference is made to Archbishop Walsh as a Christian. Does the Guardian think he was not one? Was it an omission, or is this an evidence of the narrow spirit of an other-



Social and Personal.

NE of the brightest and prettiest little ladies who visited Toronto last winter was Miss Macdonald of Napanee, who was on Thursday married to Mr. Albert E. Webb of 86 Charles street, a well known Toronto gentleman. The wedding gown worn by Miss Macdonald was one of the most sumptuous ever sent out of Stitt's premises, and was imported specially for the bride. It was of white moire antique, embroidered in a design of tulips, and having no other garniture than a bertha of very rich Brussels lace and some touches of orange blossoms. The design was princess, with a pleated Watteau train of great length. The tulle veil was fastened with a crescent of diamonds. Miss Carrie Webb's fair loveliness was enhanced by her lovely bridesmaid's dress of shell-pink grosgrain, trimmed with cream mousseline-de-soie, the new circular flounce being trimmed with tiny tucked ruchings. The bodice was an Empire waist, with corded sleeves, finished with ruches of the mousseline. A leghorn picture hat, faced with black velvet and trimmed with pink silk veiled in cream mousseline. and caught with steel ornaments, was surmounted with soft black and white plumes. Little Miss Mary Vrooman was a pretty flower girl. Mr. Harry O'Flynn, the Madoc banker, was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Webb went to Narragansett Pier for their honeymoon. On their return they will reside in Toronto. The marriage took place amid a circle of intimate friends and relatives, and the bride went away in a lovely traveling-dress of Quaker drab Irish poplin, lined with cherry silk. The entire kirt was corded in fairy tucks, and the Louis coat of poplin, faced with darker velvet, opened over a vest of turquoise and drab-striped silk. The chapeau was of fancy drab straw, with mottled partridge feathers and touches of cerise and blue, repeating the colors of the dress. The tout ensemble was one of Stitt's most charming confections. The bride's mother, Mrs. Macdonald, was stunningly gowned in handsome Victoria blue satin brocade, trimmed with duchesse lace applique over white satin, and looked the picture of a dignified and handsome mother. During the coming season Mrs. Albert Webb will be one of the young brides who will be universally admired.

On Thursday the Countess of Aberdeen and Lady Marjorie Gordon paid a hurried visit to Stitt's dressmaking parlors while their train was at the station. The purpose of the visit was to have some very elegant coming-out frocks fitted upon the young lady, as the Countess of Aberdeen has given a large order to this clever Toronto firm to prepare some gowns for the debut of Lady Marjorie in the Old Country. It has appeared a very complimentary and welcome thought on the part of her lady mother that the sweet young girl who so charmingly represented Canada at the grand function last winter should be also allowed to make her debut in garb illustrating the taste and style which have been achieved by our leading Toronto costumers.

The terrible sadness of the accident resulting in the taking away from a loving family circle of bright and popular George Coates, a young man scarcely past his majority, has clouded the hearts of many warm friends this week. Sympathy seems verless to help the mourners in bearing the burden and shock of this sad tragedy, and one can only wait for time's kindly flices to dull the pain of parting with one so well loved and so deeply regretted.

The regatta which was promised much social significance and interest, in the face of the obvious fact that society is out of town, has been $en\ train$ during the entire week, and has been participated in by the sporting fraternity with much enjoyment and enthusiasm. A sprinkling of ladies were at the Club, mainly the wives and daughters of the Rowing Club members and their comrades, the sailing fraternity. Mr. Emilius Jarvis, Commodore of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, left on Wednesday for Montreal to sail Mr. Duggan's yacht, as that canny sailor has not sufficiently recovered to do so himself. The weather has been perfect for the summer regatta, all it has lacked being

Sir Charles and Lady Rivers-Wilson, with a party of guests, including Miss Pauncefote, daughter of the British Ambassador in Washington, were in town this week. Lady Rivers-Wilson and Miss Pauncefote did some shopping and took a drive together. The visitors were traveling in two sumptuous private cars-the Violet, of which so much was recently written. and the Canada.

The Rider and Driver, New York, gave, last Saturday, a picture of Mr. George Percival's road coach, Mascot, a familiar and smart equipage in Toronto. The coach is shown standing in front of the Queen's Hotel. The Rider and Driver thus criticizes the turnout: "We regret, however, that Mr. Percival's appointments are not more complete and correct for a gentleman turning out a road coach. The most glaring fault of all is the park livery of the one coachmat who stands at the eaders' heads. We would not call attention to this error were it not that by publishing the picture some of our readers might take it to be correct and fall into the same grievous mistake

Mrs. Seton Pemberton (ner Riordon) is one of the Canadian ladies who have made their bow to Royalty this season

In a dispute about the ancestry of the ex-Empress Eugenie. now in process of threshing out in a society paper of the Mother Country, occurs a reference to a family name and family seat which have each a representative in the city of Toronto. The paragraph says: "The ex Empress of the French is, maternally, a granddaughter of the late Mr. W. Kirkpatrick, English Consul Closeburn, since he merely claimed to descend from Alexander Kirkpatrick of Kirkmichael, whose elder brother, the keeper of Lochmaben Castle, died in 1502, and was the ancestor of the first Baron of Closeburn, so created one hundred and eightythree years later on. The Kirkpatricks have a Stuart descent but from a period long before the latter became royal."

At the final meet of the Four-in-Hand Club in London, the Will find their orders promptly attended to if 'phoned or telewife of our coming Governor-General eccupied the box-seat of Sir John Dickson Povnder's coach, wearing a pale gray frock. set off her appearance, which the London chronicler describes

On Friday of last week the entire population of one of our most efficient charities, the Girls' Home in Gerrard street, enjoyed a trip to Hanlan's Point through the courtesy of the Toronto Ferry Company. Seventy nine little and big girls were of the party, with nurses and teachers. Mr. Charles Campbell of the Grand Union Hotel treated the children to a view of the ball game and plenty of peanuts. The manager of the merry-go-round gave them the freedom of the outilt for a blissful ten minutes, and on the way home in the evening a generous fruit vendor in Yonge street south gave them a couple of baskets of fine pears. To each and all of these kind friends the children wish to express their gratitude for a very pleasant outing.

Sir Richard Cartwright was a guest at the Rossin House this week and left on Thursday morning for Quebec to attend the conference between representatives of the United States and Great Britain, at which he is one of the Canadian commissioners

Mr. Willie Barker of Cecil street is recovering from a mild attack of typhoid fever. It is supposed Mr. Barker took the fever while camping out last month.

Several handsome residences are going up in College street, which means just so many more pleasant homes to the many already well liked by Toronto society.

Mrs. Garrow and son, Master Alan Garrow, of Goderich, are guests at the Rossin House this week, staying with Mr. J. T.

Dr. W. L. Post, accompanied by his wife, has been visiting his father-in-law, Inspector Greer, 95 Jameson avenue, for the past two weeks. The doctor returns to New York on Tuesday

Captain Kavanaugh, the hero of San Juan, was in town this

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Social and Personal

▼HE Island Aquatic Hall was very closely filled with a more than usually bright assemblage of young folks last Friday. Certainly the management have natural consequence a large attendance of men. The excellence of the music is one of the principal attractions, and the care taken to have the floor in perfect shape is also a strong inducement to lovers of dancing. Very few are sitting out these Friday evenings, for the married people are in the minority and one chaperone is apt to do duty over a dozen girls from city or Island homes. The Misses Brown of Montreal are a couple of popular new-comers at Ellesmere House, and one of the young ladies received much attention as a guest at the dance on Friday. Pretty Miss Campbell of Guelph, Miss Saulter, Miss Jeanie Wallbridge and Miss Brown were a charming quartette from the big Center Island summer pension. Among city sojourners at Ellesmere House are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gurney, Miss Gurney and younger members of the family, who all went over last week. A few of the many at the Association dance last Friday were: Mr. and Mrs. Will Lamont and party, Miss Amy Seton Thompson, the Misses Hedley, Mr. Charlie Michie, Mr. and Miss Bell, Mr. Gordon Osler, Mr. Gooch, Mr. Wissner, Mr. Kelso, the Misses Davies, Dr. Thistle, Mr. Colin Harbottle, Mr. Charles DeLisle, Mr. Creelman, Mrs. and Miss Francis, Mrs. Boisseau, Mrs. Beatty, Mr. and Mrs. Kappele and party, the Misses Cowan, Mr. Counsel, Mr. and Miss Byrne, and Miss Davis of Sarnia.

A tremendous exodus to Muskoka and all points of interest as summer resorts was observable on Saturday, owing to the Civic Holiday on Monday and the very cheap rates now obtaining by boat and A number of travelers going west on the C. P. R. had a thrilling experience near Ayr, where a sudden cave-in of the track detained the trains for hours about the witching time of night. It was a funny sight when the travelers adjourned to the grassy fields and stretched themselves, camp fashion, on the dry sod, in the glorious moonlight, finding an al fresco snooze much more enjoyable than a sojourn in the close and dusty cars Though it was a tiresome experience and rather an exciting moment while the heavy train was cautiously dragged over the uncertain road-bed (eminently suggestive of a drop through to China), everyone reached home none the worse and having an interesting subject for conversation.

The utterances of clever Eve Brodlique in the Chicago Times, after her little holiday with Jean Blewett in Blenheim, and other Canadian friends, in regard to the closing term of Vice-Regal residence in Canada, very aptly sum up the general feeling of the public who have not been admitted into so close an intimacy with the representatives of Royalty as to find their mouths closed over frank expression. The Aberdeens," says Eve, " are leaving Canada soon. In spite of their wealth, their hospitality and their utter kindness of heart, Lord and Lady Aberdeen have never been as popular in Canada as they would seem to have deserved." Miss Brodlique cites various reasons for this fact-too much democracy, too advanced sociology, too evident a taste for patronizing the "sturdy Canadians," but she has not quite got at the core of the matter. Without unduly flattering the Canadians I honestly believe that the whole Aberdeen outfit has from the first outraged the good taste of the nation. As to Regal, or rather Vice-Regal pomp and circumstance, that was essayed in the train-bearing pages and the court veils and feathers of opening days at Ottawa, Canada looked on and doubted. It didn't seem to fit easily. The advanced sociology bored us to death, and was rubbed in upon our unwilling hides until irritation was plainly evident. One can forgive one's Highnesses for snubbings, but not for borings. The various philanthropic and helpful agencies which have in turn over-cast the brain of Her Ladyship and have been forced upon a more clear-sighted and omewhat long-suffering public, may or may not continue to thrive after her fostering tongue has ceased to be eloquent in their behalf. Probably what is practicable and necessary will continue to do us good. But there has been too much parade, too much sounding of trumpets, too many private letters oozing taffy at every full stop, which have been naïvely printed for the public gaze by the desire and suggestion of their recipient. There has been, in short, too much bad taste, not to call it by a harsher name; and instead of regretting the receptivity and lack of appreciation of the Canadian public, it were wiser to re turn thanks for their good-nature and be glad of their long-suffering. The moving spirit of the Aberdeen regime has not been Lord Aberdeen; this alone contains the key to the whole situation. penalty of a mild unpopularity with the general run of the people has strangely descended upon an amiable pair who certainly have outdone all previous re-

A very beautiful trousseau has been for some time on the way at Stitt's, for a handsome bride whose marriage day is set for September 14. Miss Atkinson of Chatham, daughter of Charles R. Atkinson, Q. C., is the bride-elect, and Mr. Goold, the wealthy head of the Goold Bicycle Company of Brantford, is to be the happy bridegroom.

cords in striving to gain the very opposite

Toronto friends will be interested to hear of the well-being of Rev. Charles Le V. Brine, once assistant minister of St. Simon's church, and now nicely settled in New Hampshire, whence he sends assurances that he does not forget old friends.

very pretty wedding, when his daughter, Miss Bessie Hamilton, was married to Dr. Malcolm Weethee Sparrow of Parkdale. The ceremony was performed at 8.30 o'clock by Rev. A. J. Rankin, in the presence of the relatives of the contracting parties, and a few of their most inthis year secured a wonderfully bright and bonny lot of patronesses, and as a ceremony Mendelssohn's beautiful Wedding March was rendered by Miss Bella Sparrow, sister of the groom, in the midst of which the groom, attended by his brother, Mr. J. M. Sparrow, entered the prettily decorated drawing-room and awaited the coming of the bride. Before the music ceased the bride made her advent, escorted by her father, and attended by Miss Mabel Graydon of Streetsville looking charming in a gown of white satin, with chiffon trimming. Her veil was fastened with a crescent of pearls, and her bouquet was of white bridal roses arranged in shower effect. The bridesmaid wore a gown of white organdie, trimmed with lace, and carried a bouquet of pink roses. After congratulations and refreshments the happy couple left for a shor' trip east. Upon their return they will reside at 86 Macdonell avenue, Parkdale, and will receive early in September, of which notice will be duly given.

> Miss Edna L. Sutherland of Boston. Miss May Hope Bryson of Montreal, and Miss Lulu May Cays of Kingston are at present the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Day of 62 Close avenue, Parkdale.

> A pretty morning wedding was celebrated on Thursday at the bride's father's residence, 44 Rose avenue, when Miss Annie Irving Murray, daughter of Mr. Thomas Murray, and Mr. Fred Louthood of Winnipeg were married. Only about thirty near relatives were present and the wedding was a very quiet one, but the house was beautifully decorated in pink and white, and there were many hand-some presents. Mr. and Mrs. Louthood left immediately for their home in the Western city.

> Miss J. H. Wilson, who has been nursing in New York, has gone to Fort Mc Pherson, Georgia, as a United States Army nurse. Miss Charlotte Wilson left New York on Friday, August 5, with nineteen other nurses to organize a field hospital at Chickamauga, Tenn., one of the large United States camps.

> The following are the latest arrivals at the Peninsular Park Hotel, Big Bay Point, Lake Simcoe:—Mr. and Mrs. Wil-kin, Mr. J. F. Wilkin, Mr. J. H. Milne, Mr. C. G. Carmichael, Miss N. C. Dixon, Mr. Samuel Stern, Mr. W. G. Wilson, Mrs. Lewis Samuel, Miss Samuel, Mrs. George R. Joseph, Miss Galbraith, Mr. J. A. M. Alley, Mrs. P. Jacobi, Mrs. L. Reinhardt, Mr. Ernest Reinhardt, Miss Winderheld, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Neville and family, all of Toronto; Mrs. Walter Fer rier and family, of Ottawa; Mrs. William Donald and family, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. N. Wallace of Montreal; Mr. James Vair, Mr. W. L. Vair, Mr. Geo. H Scott, Mr. F. Ewan, all of Barrie; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Caldwell, Chicago.

Mrs. Bickford is stopping at Maplehurst, Muskoka, for the month of August.

Miss Dottie Davidson, Parkdale, who has been spending a few weeks at Hamill's Point, Muskoka, has returned to the parental roof.

Mrs. A. Moir Dow of St. Patrick street was a passenger on the Cunarder Lucania last Saturday for Europe, where she will spend the next three months on a pleasure

Mr. Justice Lister and Mrs. Lister, of Sarnia, were in town this week, guests at the Rossin.

Dr. W. W. Andrus, a Canadian who is loing well at Miles City, Mont., was, with Mrs. Andrus, a guest at the Rossin this week, returning home from a pleasant holiday amongst relatives near Bowman

The Italian, Donato, whom Wheelman John Howe of the steamer Garden City saved from drowning in the bay Sunday Howe has rescued. He was presented just a year ago at Port Dalhousie, before a gathering of several thousand people, by Mr. Wm. Gibson, M.P., with the Humane Society medal for saving the life of a youth from drowning in one of the Welland Canal locks the preceding April under peculiarly dangerous circumstances. hero is as modest as he is splendid a specimen of Canadian manhood.

Rev. H. C. Speller and Mrs. Speller, of Sarnia, were guests at the Rossin this

Mr. Adam Nelson of the Rossin has returned from a fishing trip on the Georgian Mrs. Nelson is stopping at the Penetanguishene.

Mr. F. F. Pardee, M. P. P. for West Lambton, one of the new members of the Ontario Legislature, bids fair to follow in the footsteps of his distinguished father, the late Hon, T. B. Pardee, Commissioner of Crown Lands for many years in the Mowat Government. Mr. Pardee's maiden speech in the House on Wednesday night nade a markedly favorable impression. He is gifted with a fine presence, a clear, ringing, rangy voice, graceful gesture, and speaks easily and well upon present political questions. Mr. Pardee's home is in Sarnia-while attending the Session he lives at the Rossin-and he is yet a bachelor.

Rev. J. Pitt Lewis, rector of Grace church, has returned from a holiday and is again en pension at the Rossin.

A very smart yachting party from Ottawa passed up the lake on Friday on the magnificent yacht, Glenora. Among the party were Mr., Mrs. and Miss Sparks, the Misses Edwards, D. M. McPhail, W. surances that he does not forget old friends.

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joined the party at Port Huron. The party are after fun, frolic and freckles.

R-v. W. H. H. Sparks accompanied his uncle, W. Ogilvie, the commissioner of the Yukon, as far as Owen Sound, en route to the Klondike.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Marr of Markham left this week for an extended tour in the Maritime Provinces, staying in Montreal. Quebec, Moncton and Halifax during their journey.

Another very pleasant At Home and op took place last Saturday evening Hotel Chautauqua, Niagara-on-the-Lake. The large and spacious dining-room, being cleared of its tables and seats replanned as artistically decorated for the occasion. Mr. Harry Bennett appeared as usual in his comic songs and was received with hearty applause. Mrs. Thompson sang very sweetly some popular songs. Mr. Bert Thompson gave an exhibition of fancy club-swinging. The duet, The Upper Ten and the Lower Five, by Mrs. Thompson and Mr. H. Bennett, was well rendered and loudly applauded. piano selections by Miss Ella Henderson were indeed worthy of praise. After the At Home dancing was indulged in by a large number of the guests. Among those present were: Mrs. Sherwood and family of Ottawa, Mrs. Beddome and Miss Beddome of London, Mrs. Percy Thomas and daughter, Mrs. Patrick, Mrs. (Dr.) Kelly. Mrs. Bush of Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. E. Caisey of Clarksville, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Sparling, Walter Sparling, Mr. Gibbs, Major Thompson and family, Miss

son, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Thompson, Mr. George Thompson, Master Gordon Thompson and Miss Gladys Thompson, Miss Hazlehurst, Mrs. and Miss Rathbone, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. Horner, Dr. and Mrs. McPherson, Mr. and Mrs. Neunan, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Miss Bertha Wright, Master George Wright, Miss Louise Haas, Miss Ella Henderson, Miss F. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, all of Toronto; Mr. Travers and family, of Berlin, Mrs. Walsh and Master Howie Walsh of Detroit, Mr., Mrs. and Miss McLain of Buffalo, N. Y.

Society at the Capital.

HE Earl and Countess of Minto will evidently not see "Our Lady of the Snows" till November, as they are to spend September and part of October at Minto House, their place in Roxburghshire. This reminds me that long before his appointment Lord Minto had promised to contribute a chapter on the North-West Rebellion of 1885 to Mr. J. Castell Hopkins' Encyclopædia. Colonel Hutton, our new commanding

officer, and Major Foster, who succeed Col. Lake as Quartermaster-General, sailed for Canada on the 10th of August. Society -or rather what still remains of it-here is not a little curious to know if these two officers are to be classed among the "noble army of martyrs." It is said that Col. Hutton is bringing out with him as his A.D.C. a Major Marling of the 18th Hussars, and a Victoria Cross man to boot, but I very much doubt if the munificent salary of one thousand dollars will prove a sufficient inducement to this hero.

Miss Kirkpatrick of Toronto is in town, staving with Miss Keefer of New Edin

Col. Turner, the United States Consul General, and Mrs. Turner gave a most de lightful and unique party on Friday even-ing, it being nothing less than a "corn roast." It came off at the Hotel Victoria, Aylmer, and was attended by the guests staying at the hotel, and a number of people from town. Cake walks, songs and the like were the order of the day-or rather night.

Mr. Howland of St. John, N.B., is in town on a visit to Lieut. Col. and Mrs. Toller, Chapel street.

Hon. Mr. Macdougall and Mrs. Macdougall left on Thursday for Dorval. Quebec, where they will be the guests of Mr. Justice and Madame Girouard at their pretty summer cottage.

Archbishop Duhamel got back to town

on Saturday from Toronto, where he attended the funeral of the late Archbishop Walsh. While there His Grace was the guest of Major and Mrs. Gray of

Dr. and Mrs. Ami of Claremont, Cooper street, left on Monday for Nova Scotia, where they intend to spend the next few

Mrs. J. J. McGee, wife of the Clerk of the Privy Council, and her two daughters are spending the month of August at Stanley Island.

Mr. Vivian Brown-Wallis got back to town on Tuesday of last week from Toronto, where he visited Mrs. Sommerville, the charming mistress of Athelstane Sir Adolphe Caron and Hon. W. B.

Ives sail next week on the Parisian for England. They will probably not return before the middle of September. Lieut. Col. Macdonald, who spent a

short time in Toronto last week at the Rossin House, got back to town on Mon-

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Egan, who have town on Monday. The Misses Thistle, who accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Egan on their trip, are not expected home for some

Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., and Lady Tupper left on Friday evening for the Maritime Provinces. Prior to their de-parture they were the guests of Mr. and

Mrs. McCaskill of Montreal.

Miss Geddes left on Friday for Fernbank, on the St. Lawrence, where she will

be the guest for a few weeks of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sparks. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. E. Harriss sail, about the middle of September for a lengthy

visit to friends in England. Ven. Archdeacon Bogert, rector of St Alban's church, is spending his well earned holidays with the Bishop of Ottawa in

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tage, standing at the extreme end of the village, and inhabited by an old solitary,

Gregory Garlow by name.
Gregory was a man of over seventy, a recluse, who was something of a mystery to the whole of the neighborhood. The present generation knew him only as an spending very few shillings each week on his living. The younger folk called him a miser," but their elders thought that they knew better, seeing that each month he was known to receive a postal order for one pound from some one in London, presumably a wealthier relative.

his cottage, and could any of the villagers have glanced in they would have concluded at once that he well merited the title of miser so liberally bestowed upon him by the juveniles. Daylight was rapidly fading, so he lit a tin oil-lamp which hung from the great center beam which crossed the ceiling supporting the others, and went to the window to draw across it the deed. heavy piece of stuff which did duty for a

As he did this he failed to notice a man's face that was quickly withdrawn from the diamond-leaded panes against which it had been pressed, but he did observe that the gate was open at the end of the redtiled path which ran between borders well filled with a flourishing potato crop.

At once all his fears were alert. Who could have opened his gate? He turned to the table in feverish haste, seized some papers, and pushed them into his pocket, and then catching up the gold and silver which he had been counting, pushed it into a coarse linen bag and went to the open hearth, with its quaint, old-fashioned, overhanging chimney. He stooped under the front of this and stood up to put his small board on the deep shelf at | fare for the local gossips. At the time o the side. His head and shoulders were hidden by the front of the chimney, and eighteen, and she had lived, ever since he did not, therefore, see a strange man her arrival in the village a slip of a child of enter the room, and was indeed totally ten, with a widow who kept a school for unaware of the presence of any intruder small children. Mrs. Page could give but until he heard a muttered-

and his money got to?"

fear-for himself and for his precious from a London solicitor money-as he stooped down in a cramped speaker. The latter heard the slight movement which the old man made, and

Poor old Garlow was drazged rudely from the hearth and began shricking for was reticent as to her family history, a assistance as loudly as his worn-out matter on which as she grew older she strength would permit.

"Help! help!" in piteous tones, rang out his aged treble.

give up some of that money quietly,"

old fellow, with strength born of despair in realizing that he must help himself, her later history he knew, or professed to

and swore that if he did not hold his you are tongue it would be the worse for him. threw him to the floor.

nimney and stood up as the old man had put up with ignorance. done. Striking a match he peered over this he found the bag which he had seen them as the match which he held burnt into the middle of the room

He looked at the old man lying inert upon the floor

Perhaps, you old fool, you'll be more nerous to a visitor next time."

On the point of leaving the cottage with booty a sudden horror seized him, and he glanced again at the man whom he had so roughly handled, went up to him and turned him over on his back. My God! he's dead!

The robber started with terror at the crime which he had committed for the ssession of a few pounds. Then the instinct of self-preservation asserted itself. and he dragged the body across the room to the hearth. As he did so a paper fell from one of its pockets. The man pick it up, and saw on it inscribed " Last Will

and Testament." Your last will is it?" he said pushing it back into the pocket from which it had fallen; "well, there it is, and much good

By dint of much struggling and pushing he succeeded in getting the body up on to the shelf from which he had just taken the money. The brick recess was only about two feet deep by two and a half in length, and the old man's limp limbs hung

over, do what his murderer might. Some distance above the shelving bricks an iron bar crossed the chimney-probably used at some time for hanging bacon during the process of smoking. Catching sight of this the stranger brought a chair

on to the hearth, and standing on it suc HE time was the evening of a ceeded in getting the old man's body into summer's day; the place a small Surrey village within thirty miles of London; the his neckcloth, so that his head hung immediate scene an old-fash-ioned brick and timber cot-shelf.

"That'll not easily be seen," said the murderer, as he shifted the chair back into the room, "an' if it is they'll think the old bloke 'anged 'isself." Then he took the lamp and peered upwards, and turned away again in horror and fear, the light shining directly on the old white eccentric old fellow who lived by himself, face, which seemed to be glaring down-

"It's to be hoped the chimney don't want sweeping yet," said the man to himself as he drew back with a face scarcely less pallid than that of his victim. Carefully locking the front door he went to make his escape by the back way. In the On the July evening on which our story opens the old man might have been seen really safe from detection. Terrified at the large brick-floored sitting-room of the very suspicion of discovery, he caught sight of a heap of lime and other materials where old Garlow had been engaged in erecting a pig-sty.

A fresh thought seemed to strike the man, and muttering, "I'm sure the chimney ain't safe," he returned once more to the scene of his crime, inspired by a new idea of hiding all traces of the

At the opposite end of the straggling village of Thornely to that where Garlow's cottage was situated, lived the one person in existence for whom the old man evinced any real affection. So far as the world knew-the world, that is to say, of villagers -Mary Mardeau was Gregory Garlow's only living relative, and she was the orphan child of his niece, who had been the only child of his only sister. It is true that it was supposed that the old man might be a pensioner of a richer relative who did not care to acknowledge the kinship, but this was a mere ingenious of a postal-order for twenty shillings

Mary, herself, too, afforded delectable our story she was a beautiful girl of little information about her charge. Damn the old hunks, where have he she knew was that Mary was a very nice obliging child, and that every quarter day The poor old man trembled with double brought a regular and liberal remittance

Mary, on her first arrival at Thornely, posture on the hearth and looked out with had seen but little of her elderly relative, livid face and horror-struck eyes at the but as she grew up from girlhood to young womanhood her bright and winsome face the position of affairs stranger still. Mary and her neat ways had won the old man's heart, and he was quite willing that she and her lover, too, began naturally to feel That's where you keep your money, is should come to his solitary cottage twice. or sometimes three times a week to "tidy up" for him. Even with her, however, he naturally became more curious. All that she could learn from him was that many years before when quite a young man he "You'd best be quiet," said the other, had taken part in the California gold rush, with a muttered oath; "and you'd best and had returned to England worse off than when he left it; had returned to find No; leave me. Help! help!" and the his only sister dead, she having married and left a baby girl-Mary's mother. Of get the door forced open." know, nothing.

The latter, younger by nearly half a "Maybe you'll know when you're older; century, seized the other by the throat you're but a child as yet. Be satisfied as

The girl would often have liked to ques-Firmly gripping his victim he shook him tion him further, as to who it was that formed a third in the puzzled group. backwards and forwards, and as the old paid Mrs. Page quarterly for her keep, ciency of pocket money, but Uncle Greg ner, though he knew the "artist chap" So much the better," said his assail- would put a stop to such discussion by quite well, and had been familiar with ant; "perhaps you'll lie quiet for, a saying that it must be "some old fool or Mary ever since her first arrival in the another, with more money than wit," and village Saying this, he stooped within the she had to be content-or at least had to

on to the sooty brick shelf at the side. On the last two or three years at the young door girl's frequent visits, he would not hear of on the table and a smaller one. Seizing her coming to live with him in the cothis fingers and went out, he advanced tained such a notion during the few months which immediately preceded this eventful July. For within those months Mary had been foolish enough to fall in to the agitating stuff which darkened the love with and win the affectionate homage of a young artist, Francis Shirley, who had stayed for some weeks in the beauties of the sandy common on the edge of which the village stood, and of the eafy lanes which abounded in the neigh-

with the artist, but on the very evening on which our story opens, when they had addresses with a whispered promise to be-

come his wife. In doing so, however, she smiled, and said that she was something of a ture, easily opened the window, and got his fate with hers, for he didn't know

what she might turn out to be. "Darling," he replied, "what does it

thing but my Mary.' "I don't know that, Frank," she said, dropping her voice almost to a whisper over this first use of her lover's Christian

name; "think of my Uncle Greg."
"Your uncle is an eccentric old brick," said the young man, warmly. "You see, you don't know whom his sister married, gone so mysteriously, and to patiently Can we not get indoors for a short time

or whom your mother married."

half-tearful jocularity, for never did her odd-job man along at once to repair the gnorance as to one side of her family history pain her more than at this blissful

'He was but a landscape painter,' is all that anyone will be able to say of your husband, for, dearest, I am no Lord Bureigh in masquerade," Frank said, stealing his arm around her waist as he recognized the pathetic note in her voice.

"Thank you, sir." said she, with smiling, mock humility, and adapting Tenny son's lines :

" You are but a landscape painter, And a village maiden me

"Ah!" returned he, "perhaps it is the village maid' who is the impostor, and I shall find you suddenly becoming a Lady Burleigh and soaring away into Society with a capital S, and leaving the poor landscape painter to go down, down down until he becomes a kerbstone artist

Chalks Christ and mackerel on the flags And does extremely ill.'

Thus they talked on all the meaningful nsense of young lovers who have just found their bliss in the acknowledgment of mutual affection. By a strange freak of fate the conversa-

tion on which we have been prying had taken place during the same early hours of the July evening on which so terribly different a scene had been enacted at the cottage of Gregory Garlow.

When the newly-engaged couple separated at Mrs. Page's garden gate it was arranged that Frank, whose third stay in the village had just come to an end, should go with Mary to her uncle's cottage on the following morning before returning to London, that he might get his suit sanctioned by the girl's only own relative.

Laughing and talking at noon the next day they went up the red-tiled path to the old man's place.

'Naughty uncle," said Mary to her companion; "he ought to begin and dig his potatoes, for see, their flowers are beginning to fade," and she plucked a piece of the beautiful blossom of the homely vegetable.

But no Uncle Greg was visible to receive her reproaches. The door and windows of the cottage, to the girl's great surprise, were severely closed.

'It is funny," said Mary, commenting this fact, "for uncle generally has them all open. He must be up long before

tain across one of the windows partially overgrown by a vagrant vine. Oh! Frank, can he be ill?" They tried the front door. It was fast. They knocked and received no response;

ocked again, but still without effect. "Let us try the back," she said, a nervous dread catching at her heart, though she added with affected cheerful-"Perhaps he's pottering over the

wonderful pig-sty he is building.

They passed around the cottage, and saw brick, lime and cement as though the old man had but just left them. The back door also was shut fast. Shirley looked through the keyhole and declared that the key was still in it. They returned to the front of the house and found that the key was not in that lock. This made an to feel sure that her uncle was what nervous on her account.

You see, dear," he said, in attempted explanation, "your uncle may have got up very early and gone out, for the door has probably been locked from the outside, or else why should the key have been

Uncle Greg always gets up early," replied the girl emphatically, "and he would never have gone out leaving the curtain be on duty, stared. up like that.'

Well, dearest, if you wish it we will

Oh, do, Frank, for I feel sure that irritation. uncle may be ill and wanting our help."

As they were debating, the policeman who did duty for the whole law-abiding village was seen coming along the road.

Frank Shirley hailed him, and he soon he then?" ial man

"We cannot make Mr. Garlow hear, for all our knocking, and are afraid that he Pleased as the old fellow had been for may be ill, and would like to force the

oming to live with him in the cot-Least of all would be have enter-keyhole, "key ain't in the door."

stooped stiffly and peered through the keyhole, "key ain't in the door."

No. I had seen that. Mayn't the old chap have gone out?" "Look at that," said Mary, and pointed to marry."

window of the sitting-room. village that he might sketch the varied foul play we could have cause to break in." Surely we can do so if we fear the old man is ill?" said Frank, in rising indigna-

"Well," pursued the self-important offi-She had, indeed, not only fallen in love cial, "'e is Miss Mardeau's relative, an' if she wishes it I'll soon find a way in."

'I wish it," said Mary simply, mond panes of the window, methodically knocked away the jagged edges of glass, and putting his hand through the aperhim with agility, and they soon discovered that the old man's bed had not been slept in-that he was nowhere on the premise satter? You cannot turn out to be any They unlocked the back door and admitted Mary. Each room of the cottage to your uncle, Mr. Gregory Garlow," said the new comer, handing her his business the usual aspect to which one of the three was well used. Nothing was disturbed;

but no Gregory Garlow was to be seen. There was nothing for it but to conjecture as to where the old man could have Mr. Garlow's extraordinary disappearance. await his return. The constable kept for in these very strange circumstances I And very little about who it is that watch and ward at the cottage, and Frank must tell you some things of which you I'm going to marry," broke in Mary, with and Mary promised to send the village may not have heard."

window. "H'm!" murmured the policeman to himself as the two went down the road, "They're a well-made couple any-how. Shouldn't wonder!"

What it was he "shouldn't wonder" at a listener would not have been able to ascertain, though it may be imagined that the policeman had shrewdly guessed the tender relations of his two late compan

The mysterious disappearance of Gregory Garlow afforded a fruitful topic of discussion with the villagers of Thornely, most of whom liked to know a little more about their neighbors' business than they ever troubled to know of their own. Many were the conjectures started as one after the other attempted to account for the unaccountable. It was recalled by some of the elders that the absentee had as a young man taken part in the great gold rush, and it was suggested that he might have got fired once more with a greed for gold-a suggestion favored by the childish talk of him as "miser."

Those same young people who called him miser soon had rumors of their flying about the village, for one of their number, gifted with a more vivid imagination than his fellows, thought it not un likely that the devil had come suddenly and claimed the miser, and even went the length of heightening the effect of his theory by declaring that he had distinctly smelt sulphur on passing the cottage.

Day after day passed, and even week after week, and still no news was received about the missing man. Mary Mardeau was divided between an indefinable fear over her uncle's prolonged absence and true delight over the love which had come to her. She was persuaded to leave Thornely for a week to visit her lover's family at Hampstead, but insisted on staying away no longer from the village in case the old man should arrive and wonder at her being away.

Thus it came about that Francis Shirley took up permanent lodgings in Thornely and divided his time pretty equally between his art and his flancee. He had heard of the rumor that Gregory Garlow had gone gold-hunting, and used to chaff Mary over it, saying that perhaps the old man had gone to seek a dowry for her.
"Seriously," he added, "I wish he'd told

us that he was going, and how long he in-Then her eyes caught sight of the cur. tended to be away, for we might have married at once and settled down in his

> When six months had passed, and still nothing was known as to the whereabouts of the old man, it began to be freely discussed in the village whether Mary, as presumable heir, ought not to take possession of the cottage. She had paid frequent visits to it during the six months that had elapsed, and kept the place clean and tidy in case uncle should return as suddenly as he went.

She and Frank, too, took the garden in hand and kept it in order; then, as autumn advanced, she had fires frequently going that the place might not be allowed

Winter gave way to spring, and the mystery seemed no nearer solution; month by month the usual London letters had arrived for Mr. Gregory Garlow, and month by month they had been pigeon-holed by the village grocer-postmaster pending the old man's return.

Local gossip on the subject had even begun to flag when it was revived one day early in March by the arrival of a stranger in the village, who, it was soon known, had made straight for the post-office and there asked to be directed to Mr. Garlow's house. The postmaster's wife, who happened to

'Mr. Garlow, sir ?"
'Yes, Garlow; I spoke plainly enough, I believe," answered the visitor with some

"Well, it's like this, sir, I can direct you to his cottage soon enough, but you won't find him there, sir, as maybe you'll know "I know nothing of the kind. Where is

"That's what we don't know, sir. He "Well, sir, what is it I'm wanted for?" went off, or leastways, he disappeared, letter not explicitly directed to hersely last July, and hasn't been by anyone in Thornely. We've quite a number of letters waiting for him. " the lawyer, for such "Those letters -

was, began, and then broke off: "His niece, Miss Mardeau, is she in the "Yes, sir, at Mrs. Page's, but I saw her

go by half an hour ago with Mr. Shirley; "H'm!" said the policeman, as he they've gone to Mr. Garlow's cottage, I ing the garden there straight."

And this Mr. Shirley, who is he?" "He's the young gentleman she's going

"I will go to the cottage and see her." Speaking thus, Thomas Jarvis, solicitor, "Well, miss, it do seem curious at this time of the day. Now, if you suspected Jarvis of Bedford row, London, left the shop and walked thoughtfully down the village. He had gone some distance when he saw a vine-covered cottage standing some fifty or sixty feet back from the road, and in the intervening garden a man and a maid leaning over a border sowing seeds with their heads in very close proximity.

been wandering in one of these same Police Constable Tiffin tapped the end of law, as he turned in at the gate, which he closed with a snap to give warning of his approach. The two started up with surprise, and saw the usual that she was something of a ture, easily opened the window, and got spectacle of a gentleman in frock coat mystery," and he had better not bind up through into the room. Frank followed and silk hat. Saluting Mary, Mr. Jarvis

> Miss Mardeau, I believe. "I am Mary Mardeau."

" And I am Mr. Thomas Jarvis, solicitor to your uncle, Mr. Gregory Garlow," said

"Have you brought news of uncle?" she asked excitedly.

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The three went into the cottage by the when there was found inside a very large back way, the front door remaining a sealed entrance, and there the solicitor from the matron of the infirmary attached told the following story, having duly to a wor ascertained that Francis Shirley was in counties: verity the girl's affianced husband, and not only said to be such by village tattlers. "Your uncle, as you are aware, Miss Mardeau, was, or is, a very eccentric man. So far as I know you are his only relative, and you, even, he has chosen to keep in ignorance of his true position. low was, or is, probably, thought to be a poor man. Mary bowed assent to the statement.

ed for him and the interest thereon accruing, I should send him one pound a month, and that I should also send a cheque each quarter to Mrs. Page for your maintenance. "Oh! that is the mystery of it," ex-

'He was nothing of the kind. He chose

it was one phase of his eccentricity-

that out of his money which I had invest

claimed Mary. "Uncle would never tell me who paid for me, nor indeed anything about my parents.'

"Mr. Garlow, when he came back a rich man from California many years ago, bought this cottage, and began living his eccentric solitary life, though still a comparatively young man. He had come back hoping to provide for his sister, but found her dead. He provided for her daughter, your mother, as he has done for you, until she disgraced herself irretrievably in his eyes by marrying a foreigner-M. Emile Mardeau, a young French artist of great promise, of whom you may have heard. Your father and mother both died about the time that you were ten years old, and since then your uncle has, unknown to you, and through me, acted as your guar

So the whole mystery was cleared, and although Mr. Jarvis was not able to throw any light on Garlow's strange vanishing, Mary felt grateful to him for enlightening her as to her own birth and also as to the fact of her being so entirely indebted to the seemingly self-centered old solitary,

"Pending our learning something of your uncle's whereabouts, or of his fate, for we cannot ignore the fact that he was upwards of seventy years of age, we must even go on as we are," thus the old lawyer concluded his talk with the young couple, though he did not see fit to go on and explain that Gregory Garlow's fortune, hav ing been practically untouched, had very materially increased during the many years that its owner had been living the life of a poor cottager. Nor did he see fit to explain that in the event of the old man's death without a will Mary was the sole heir to all his wealth.

It was by no means reassuring to find that the old man's solicitor, who was responsible for the safe-guarding of his money, knew nothing of his whereabouts. Shirley thought that something must have happened to Uncle Greg, although he knew that a very diligent search had been instituted far and near. Mary clung tenaciously to the idea that her uncle would yet be seen one day working in his garden as though nothing had happened.

About a month after the visit of Mr. Ja vis another surprising event happened A large envelope was one morning handed to Mary as she was in her uncle's garden. It bore the following superscription :

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key."
They tried. It was!

Francis Shirley had a fruitless and yet further mystifying journey up to the mid-lands, for when he arrived at the infirmary he found that the man who had died. and who had sent the key to Thornely, was a young fellow about thirty years of

On a bright July day just one year after she had first promised to do so, Mary Mardeau became Mrs. Francis Shirley. The wedding took place quietly at Thornely church, Mr. Jarvis, the solicitor, making a special journey to the village to act as her uncle's representative and give

Nothing had been heard of Uncle Greg. and it seemed as though nothing ever would be heard of him. A brief honey-moon, spent walking amid the Welsh mountains, having come to an end, the young couple settled down in "the vine-

covered cottage at the end of Thornely." Beautifully did they realize that "love in a cottage," the charms of which have been so often sung; although Mary often thought wistfully of her poor old uncle and benefactor—his fifty pounds a year, still faithfully remitted by Mr. Jarvis, formed no inconsiderable portion of their joint incomes-and wondered what could have become of him.

Nearly two years of married life had ome and gone and a small chubby Gregory reigned supreme in Vine Cottage. Mary had insisted, on his arrival, that he should share his father's and her uncle's names, and he was duly chronicled as Gregory Francis Shirley.

One day in June-just upon three years after the old man's disappearance - a ouple of young swallows tumbled down the sitting-room chimney, and Mary called sitting before his easel in the garden try ing to place upon canvas a counterfeit presentment of his tiny son, but at once went in and caught the fluttering birds and put them out on the tiled roof. Then he returned to look up the chimney to see if there were any others.

Mary, here's a rum go," he said, from the hearth, his head and shoulders up the soot grimed chimney, "your uncle must have been a miser, after all; look here, and he rubbed where a tiny golden speck showed amid the rough cement.
"But, Frank," said his wife, who had

oined him, "those bricks are much newer than the rest of the chimney. And how carelessly and roughly they've been put up; they seem to have toppled over against the wall."

"So they have, you very observant little woman. Perhaps your uncle put them there and we've lighted upon his secret hoard.

Mary did not like even her husband to jest over her uncle as miser, and made him desist. Meanwhile, Frank was pulling at some bricks that seemed looser than the others, and suddenly he said "Get out quickly, Mary; I believe the

bally lot is coming down.' Even as he spoke, and as Mary got from under the projecting chimney, the bricks came down with a run that nearly overset Frank, while the soot and dust almost blinded him as he felt his way into the

"No, dear, but don't look, it's too ter-

It was too late to say "don't look;" Mary had already caught sight of the

was awful to look upon, but in all its hideous mockery of death was recognizable as that of her missing uncle, the long lost Gregory Garlow!

Poor Mary had clung so tenaciously to the idea that her uncle still lived that the discovery of his murdered remains, with the subsequent enquiry, was a terrible shock to her, and made Vine Cottage impossible any longer as a home; and she and her husband, whose pictures are winning him a reputation, with their aby Greg, are at present living in a beautiful villa on the shores of the Mediteranean, near Genoa.

The time and soot-stained will found in he old man's pocket gave all of which he died possessed to his grand-niece, Mary Mardeau, as the only living representative of his beloved sister. Mary Garlaw.

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#### He Struck a Snag.

Washington Star. NE day I was doin' a route.' said the circus agent, keepin' my lamps peeled for daubs, when I gets a big new barn standin' at a cross roads. I halts my driver, get out my dope and paper, an' gets to work. The first thing I does, of course, is to throw up my stringer across the side of the barn. I just finished it an' was standin' back figurin' my space to put up under it one of the nine-sheet bills of the Nelson family, when I sees an old them and one's acquaintance there is no rube standin' off to one side watchin' me. treasure house from which friendships

arm she went with him to the hearth and was frothin' at the mouth, never seen a not only all its charm, but much of its stant conception of it, but of pilgrimage

"Oh, if it should be! How dreadful to lie in a workhouse infirmary, away from corpse, the half-mummified face of which mean by pastin' my bran-new barn up with all that gol-darned paper? Dod skin ye, tear 'em down."

"I give the old guy a 'con' talk an'

tried to jolly him up, but he wouldn't stand for it till I offered him a 'comp' to me to go ahead, an' I began to throw up the Nelson family. I got it about half up when the old hayseed says:

" 'Come, come, sonny, that won't never do. I'm a deacon in the church, an' I can't have no gal with no clothes on pasted on the side of my barn.'

"I argued and chewed the rag with him for another ten minutes, an' squared it by givin' him another 'comp' so's I could finish the job. I got up the Nelson family, an' started on a giraffe three sheets, an' he stops me again.
"''Tain't no use, sonny; here, take yer

tickets. You'll have to scrape them papers off. I'll get a hoe.'

"'Why, what's the matter now?' I asks

"'Why, I've only got two tickets here for me an' the ole woman, an' we won't darst to go, lessen we take my boy Eph

"Well, I had to give him a 'comp.' for Eph, an' I finishes the giraffe three-sheet. Then I steps over to the other side of the nine sheets an' begins throwin' up another three-sheet when the old squeeze lays his hand on me an' says :

Say, if Eph goes, Liza'll have to go,

"'You've got all you're going to get,' I says. 'I ain't allowed to give more than one 'comp' to any rube, an' here you've got three.

'Tear 'em down, then ; tear 'em down.

"Well, sir, I had to give him a 'comp for 'Lize,' and I had to give him another for his hired man, an' two more for his brother an' sister-in-law in town before he'd let me put up a date. That old sucker worked me for seven 'comps' before I got through, an' when, I drove away I felt as if I'd been up against a badger game."

#### Acquaintances.

London Spectator. Are acquaintances of much value in life? The writer of an exceedingly read able book of reminiscences just issued. replies in the affirmative, declaring that he made up his mind when quite a young man to make all the acquaintances he could, especially among men intellectually superior to himself. We, on the other hand, should be inclined to answer in the negative. There is one way certainly in which a long list of acquaintances is invaluable. It is a reservoir out of which you pick friends, and without friends life would lose half its value and nearly all its agreeableness. There are ountries, like America, where they are the only armor of proof, the lone indi vidual being always overwhelmed by the hail of arrows which fall on him, and even in more civilized lands they form the pleasantest of garments against the sleet of life. Indeed, but for those who understand one without having every thing, as the Scotch say, "summered and wintered" to them, one fails to perceive the use of having the benigner qualities at all. Better be " a thinking machine" like Mr. Blank, who was never yet known to say a civil thing, or to do an unkindly one. The men and women of one's own clan are seldom so loving or so bright that one needs no others, though they say there was once a Scotch laird who was heard to affirm that about his cousins-he afterward defined his cousins as "those who defer to me "-and except

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ghastly object which had fallen with the bricks. Holding Frank tightly by the "Say, young feller," he says, an' he answerable, for without friends life loses of pilgrimage, which is the theologian's con-

meaning, and becomes not only a place of through a desert in which there is no water and no shade. There may be Sinai at the end towering above its shadow, but how if one faints before reaching even its cool wells? We understand this writer. however, to claim for acquaintanceships with the bright something more than this, something of that sharpening quality which the old Hebrew attributed to the face of a friend

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#### Sporting Comment.

HE eleven cricketers chosen to represent Canada against the United States at Philadelphia on August 29 and 30, is a much younger team than usual-the

These are the men selected

M. Boyd of Toronto-Rosedale,
J. L. Counsell of Hamilton,
A. G. Chambers of Parkdale,
P. C. Goldingham of Toronto-Rosedale,
J. M. Laing of Toronto-Rosedale,
H. B. Mciverin of Otlawa.
W. E. McMurtry of Toronto-Rosedale,
A. W. Mackenzie of Toronto-University,
W. Philipotts of McGill University,
W. Philipotts of McGill University,
W. W. Saunders of Toronto-Rosedale (capt.)
W. R. Wadsworth of Toronto-Rosedale. It is understood that these gentlemen

will all be able to get down to Philadelphia

for the match, but four other men were

chosen as reserves in case any should be unable to go, viz: F. R. Martin and W. R. Marshall of Hamilton, W. G. Bristowe of Ottawa and A. J. Hills of Upper Canada College. The bowlers of the team are: Laing, Goldingham, McGiverin, Wadsworth. Phillpotts, Mackenzie, Chambers, Boyd and Counsell are also good change bowlers, and the two first-named are almost sure to be put on. Of the bowlers, perhaps Goldingham has done the best ork all season, yet Laing is now in good shape and, practicing every day, is send-ing along cannon-balls in his old form. He is in better form than last year, although, perhaps, not the phenomenal trundler he vas in '96. McGiverin of Ottawa is the trickiest bowler we have had gives the greatest variety of balls, and although he has not done anything startling just lately, it is certain that he will rise to his opportunity in the international as he always does. Wadsworth has more speed this year than formerly. Phillpotts of McGill is a good bowler, medium pace, with a good length and a twist, while Mackenzie sends down fast ones. The team should be a very strong one in the field. There is not a poor fielder in the four new men, Counsell, Mc-Murtry, Mackenzie and Phillpotts, are exceptionally sharp fielders. In the outfield, Mackenzie and McMurtry will proably do handsomer work than the Phila delphians have been taught to expect from our representatives. D. W. Saunders will keep wickets, and if necessary Mc-Murtry or Counsell can relieve him will be remembered that Mossom Boyd was a spare man last year and secured a place through the voluntary retirement who, finding that matches, while Boyd scored well, in his favor. Boyd's excellent performance in last year's match, however, did not cause his selection this year, for although his name does not appear often in matches he has been practicing nightly, and on the occasions when he has played has scored freely. He will be expected to almost lead the batting again this year. Of Goldingham and Saunders little need be said, for they stand almost beyond all others as cricketers. No members of the team, however, have been batting this year more consistently than Counsell, Chambers and McMurtry. Of the three, unsell has made the largest scores while the other two have almost equally good averages. The spare men are nearly as desirable as several of the men who are That George S. Lyon of Ro dale and A. Gillespie of Hamilton notified the Association of their inability to play, if chosen, is to be regretted. They are both

The ease with which the Torontos defeated Cornwall at lacrosse on Monday Anally convinced the admirers of the game in Toronto that the home team is a first The truth has been more than suspected all season, but the team has played in hard luck on several occasions To-day the Capitals come up from Ottawa backed by five hundred excursionists, and there should be one of the greatest lacrosse games ever seen here. The Torontos are in fine shape I am told, and playing with a harmony that has too long been lacking.

excellent players and unusually popular

In the C.L.A. there will be some fast lacrosse between the Tecumsch-Elms, St. Catharines, Orangeville, Seaforth and Georgetown. Indeed, there has been some lacrosse and the schedule is pretty well played out, but what I mean is that be altogether too freaky for the Yankees there promises to be a very hot finish. to pass over. As it is, it is said, as we go

in the days when the Seaforths were quite | tested.

Frank Addison, the winner of the great Kingston road race, and now holder of the Canadian road record for the twenty miles, is one of those new men who are continually popping up and surprising the handicappers. Beyond winning some shop races last year and a club handicap on the Kingston road in the early part of the eason, Addison is a new man. His time, 57.27, nearly a minute better than W. Greatrix's for the same distance, either proves that he is to be a phenomenal rider or that the road was exceedingly good. Greatrix was in the race, his time being one hour flat, so it is fair to suppose the road is not altogether responsible. Last year the Canadian record was beaten in this event, but the new-made record did not stand very long, Greatrix pulling it down in the Dunlop road race over the Woodbine course. Addison is a big, long-limbed youth of Scottish descent. His debut has been sensational; if he keeps in condition he should make a good race

That aquatics are to the fore this year is beyond question, and swimming is a branch of aquatics which is becoming more and more prominent. The Toronto Swimming Club's third annual tournament held last Saturday was in many respects the most successful of the series, Dr. Paul Neumann, world's champion for the mile, Canadian champion for the half mile, and William Lawless, former Canadian champion, being distinguished contestants from a distance. The races were held off the promenade behind the grandstand at Hanlan's Point, and a large crowd lined the railing overlooking the course. It was not a convenient place for spectators, and the fact that every available vantage point was occupied would show that if we had a pronew men being young players. perly arranged course where swimming events could be comfortably witnessed by a crowd, it would attract people who do not get an opportunity of witnessing swimming in any other way. The more the general public sees of swim ming the more general swimming will become, and swimming is an exercise which should be included with walking and running in every man or woman's

> The time made last Saturday in the open events was in several cases very The hundred yards was done by Neumann in 75 seconds. Firth of the Toronto Swimming Club was second in this race, beating Lawless by a yard. Firth was also second in the 220 yards event, although Lawless was but a few inches behind. Firth holds the city championship, having won the title in the I.A.A.A. sports last year. He swims a powerful overarm, preferring this stroke to Trudgen for even short distances. He swam the mile captaincy race recently, using this stroke without changing the entire distance. Firth won the fifty yards scratch, open to the club, in thirty-nine of 180 yards. A road and a dry moat a seconds, and had lots of strength to

According to Dr. Neumann, the course for the swimming champion ships at Ottawaa week ago Saturday was measured three times, and was correct enough as far as distance went. The time was slow on account of the current only. Neumann was unable to take part in the swimming events of the Citizens' Regatta, being entered in races in Brooklyn. He says he would travel across the continent to enter a swimming race if it were only for a tin on. So perhaps we may see him back here again.

The Muskoka Lakes Association held its annual regatta at Port Sandfield last This regatta is always the event of the season among those summering on the Muskoka waters. Parties away off to the right the town of Lewiston come from the extreme ends of the dif. and the heights of Queenston look down ferent lakes to share in the fun or take between the windings of the grand old burn. It was then dusk and they had still fourteen miles or so to go. Their trip was probably thirty miles each way. They could have taken the steamer, but paddling gets to be second nature up there and a canoe is what the bicycle is in the city, where the average man prefers to ride his wheel rather than take a car. Many people go up from Toronto and other towns, and the affair is always an inspiring one to ambitious paddlers. The Toronto Canoe Club sent up their champion four. F. Taylor went up for the senior single. Both of these events were captured. The Begg brothers were second in the tandem. Messrs. Henry and Woods and the Minett brothers seem to have been the stars of this regatta, the former beating the Toronto tandem. The Canoe Club paddlers are having a busy time of it just now. There have been several club events lately: then the Muskoka regatta; this week the Citizens' regatta, and on Saturday the crews leave for the A. C. A. camp in the Thousand Islands. Their four ought to do some-thing down there if nothing else is won, as t is one of the best the Club has ever got together.

The probable defender of the half-rates up on Lake St. Louis to-day is the freaki est boat yet entered in this race. The Dominion is a catamaran. A catamaran was originally a South Sea craft. It is two boats fastened side by side with a platform across. It is capable of carrying an immense amount of sail for its size. don't know the exact style of the Do minion, Mr. Duggan's new boat, but it is probable that it is not the true type of catamaran. It is likely merely a proa, that is, it has a small balance boat out from the side, There are two or three in Toronto, Mr. Tyson of the Queen City Yacht Club being a proa enthusiast. A real catamaran would

The Georgetown team has pulled up in to press, that the Speculator may have to astonishing fashion, and Seaforth is now defend the cup against the Seawanhaka, railway cutting a hundred feet wide supposed to have a stronger twelve than as the Dominion will probably be pro-THE UMPIRE.

On the Links. ITH the annual golfing tournament at Niagara - on - the - Lake looming in the near future-an evente which will not in any way clash with the tournament arranged to be held on the Toronto links the last day of September-a sketch of the famous and beautiful course across the lake will be of interest to intending competitors. The matches this year will in all probability be played over the Fort George course, as the pretty Mississaugua course is only a nine hole one, and the plan arranged by the committee one year -half of each match over one links and half over the other, with busses to convey players and their clubs backwards and forwards-was not satisfactory. The idea was a novel one, and impressed upon the large number of visitors present the fortune and resources of the club in having two such beautiful links with such exceptionally good natural hazards, and such grand scenery surrounding both, but there were too many drawbacks, and too much confusion consequent upon having half a mile of town between the two courses. and it was decided to in future confine the play to either one or the other. then the funds of the club have been expended lavishly upon the longer course on the river common, and at present it presents to a sweeping glance the impression of an immense green meadow. A nearer inspection reveals hazards-all natural ones-which appeal to the heart of any golfer. urse is nearly five thousand yards in length and abounds in roads, race-tracks, hills and hollows, creeks, trees, the ruins of an old fort, a deep railway cutting fifty or sixty feet wide in some places, and in numerable other difficulties, all of which tend to make the eighteen holes anything but easy even to a golfer who delights in difficulties. From the teeing ground-on a mound near the Roman Catholic cemetery-to the first hole (Springs) is 230 yards, with very little trouble ahead. A straight drive of 140 or 150 yards covers a rather nasty bit of rough ground with a dip of twenty yards or so, and a road. A well managed approach of seventy-five yards should place the ball on the green, which lies in a hollow. The second hole (Central) is a little longer, 266 yards, and cuts across a troublesome piece of ground taking in a sand road, a rifle pit, a trail, and crosses the race-track to a smooth, level green about a hundred feet beyond the track, which is edged by a row of maples tifteen or twenty yards apart. A drive of 150 yards takes the ball to good ground and clears the main hazards. Hole three (Grand Stand) is only 210 yards, with a roadway 66 yards from the tee, and the race-track 112 yards farther still. The green lies down in a hollow just beyond the track. No. 4 (Magazine) is an easy one, and only necessitates a straight drive little to the right punish a sliced ball. No. 5 (Fort George) is a difficult one straight drive of 145 cuts the corner of the fort embankment, but such a course is dangerous for any but a sure player. There are two fences topping the embankment, a ploughed and planted field in between, and a deep, dry moat well out of sight on the farther side. If the ball clears these, however, it lands probably on the green or near enough for a short iron shot to lay the ball close to the hole. The safer course is to go around the difficulties, taking 260 yards. No. 6 (Half-moon Battery) is yards, and takes the player to one of the prettiest greens in the course. The hole s not many yards from the edge of the river bank. Across the water lies quiet little Youngstown. Farther down Yankee fort stands out on the point, and

a rather rough stretch of and thirty feet deep, and between the cutting and the green a nasty bit of cut-up ground twenty or thirty feet square. No. 7 (Railway Cutting) is 245 yards, with the railway cutting again to be crossed. Of the two ways of reaching the hole, the easiest is to take a short drive to the edge of the cutting-about 130 yards-followed by a short iron shot to the green. The other and more roundabout way is to cut across the difficulty in a straight line from the tee, instead of a direct line towards the hole, and having got safely over, a brassy shot of 125 yards will clear to the hole. No. 8 (Paradise) is a little drive of 95 yards, once more crossing the railway cutting and avoiding an over-drive, which carries the ball in among the oak trees. No. 9 (Race-course), 390 yards, with a return trip over the railway cutting, which is only fifteen yards from the tee. Fairly plain sailing, with racetrack a short distance from green. No. 10 (Oaks) is 260 yards. A casual glance leaves the impression of an easy line, with few difficulties. It is anything but easy, how ver. The drive from the tee must be very carefully placed. A straight one of 120 yards will avoid the main road, trail and sand road. A hundred and seventy yards farther on a seventy-yard stretch of lumpy ground commences, with a narrow dry ditch running through the center. The green lies beyond the hazard, surrounded by huge oak trees, and it's the coolest spot and one of the best greens in the course. No. 11 (Hawthorn) is 110 yards, and except for a stumpy hawthorn tree 25 feet high and correspondingly wide, which lies directly in the line of play, it is an easy one. No. 12 (Willows) is 370 yards safe play, or 247 going direct, with a ditch to cross twice. No. 13 (Lewis) is 400 yards and cuts across some hilly ground and one or two roads to a green beside two trees in front of Mr. J. Lewis' property. No. 14 (Officer's Quarters) is about 360 yards direct, but to avoid the hazards of a road crossed several times and some rough rising ground it is usual to go around, so making the line longer. No. 15 (Geales) is a short one of not more than about 200 yards with no hazards of any moment. No. 16 (Peaches) 362 yards uneventful. One or two sand roads and a trail. No. 17 (Dyke) 100 yards. The teeing ground overoks a slope at the foot of which is a wide ditch and long grass, both out of sight from the tee. A cleek generally takes a well-directed ball to the green, which lies on the slope between the ditch and the race-track. No. 18.-The home hole, 475 yards. For hazards there is the dyke to be again crossed, the race-track 70 yards away, and 313 and 334 yards from the tee main road and a sand road, with another road protecting the green.

The inter-provincial and international matches will be played on the links of the Toronto Club on the last day of September and the 1st of October. The dates were erroneously given last week as the last day of August and the 1st of Sep-

It is not often that the score in a foursome shows anything very low. Vere Brown and George Lyon, however, in a match with Stewart Gordon and A. W. Smith on the Toronto links last week, came off pretty well in 43 for the first nine holes. The match ended in an overwhelming victory for Lyon and Brown, who, in the eighteen holes, managed to come off six up and four to play.

A recruit, wishing to evade service, was brought up for medical inspection, and the doctor asked him: "Have you any de-"Yes, sir; I am short-sighted." "How can you prove it?" "Easily be th' pathriotic Cubians, I'd like to know! enough, doctor. Do you see that nail up F'r two pins, Hinnessy, you and I'd quardon't,"-Tit-Bits.

keeper with some fish in his basket under taking size)-Oh-er-well, you see, fact is, my glasses-er-magnify a good deal. Make things look larger than they really ferent lakes to share in the fun or take part in the races. Last year I saw three canoes returning from the regatta at carrive there with his ball he had to cross a date. Keeper (about to receive smaller) arives there with his ball he had to cross are: Keeper (about to receive smaller) arives the occasion)—Ah! makes the occasion)—Ah! makes the occasion)—Ah! makes the occasion occurrence of the part in the races. Last year I saw three almost tempts a golfer to forget that to arrive there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives there with his ball he had to cross are returning from the regatta at arrives the returning from the regatta at ar

Mr. Dooley Talks of the War.

WAS this way," says Dooley "Th' Spanish fleet was bottled up in Sandago harbor an' they dhrew th' cork. That's a joke. I see it in th' pa-apers. Th' gallant boys iv th' navy was settin' out on th' deck defindin' their countbry an' dhrawin' three ca-ards apiece whin th' Spanish admiral concluded 'twud be better f'r him to be dhesthroyed on th' ragin' sea, him bein' a sailor, thin to have his fleet captured by cav'lry. Anyhow he was willin' to take a chance, an' he said to his sailors: 'Spanyards,' he says, 'Castiles,' he says,' we have et th' las' bedtick,' he says, 'I'll have to have a steak off th' armor plate fried f'r ye,' he says. 'Lave us go out where we can have a r run f'r our money,' he says. An' away they wint. I'll say this much f'r him, he's a brave man, a damn brave man. I don't like a Spanyard no more than ye do, Hinnessy. I niver see wan. But if this here man was -was a Boohgaryan, I'd say he was a brave man. If I was aboord wan iv thim yachts that was convarted I'd go to this here Cervera an' I'd say: 'Manuel,' I'd say, 'ye're all right, me boy. Ye ought to go to a doctor an' have ye're eyes reset, but ye're a good fellow. Go down stairs,' I'd say, 'into th' basemint iv th' ship,' I'd say, 'an open th' cupboard jus nex' to th' head iv th' bed an' find the bottle marked "Floridy Water" an' thrate ye'rself kindly.' That's what I'd say to Cervera. He's all right. "Well, whin our boys see th' Spanish fleet comin' out iv th' harbor they gathered on th' deck an' sang th' naytional

anthem, 'They'll be a hot time in th'ol' town to-night.' A lift-nant came up to where Admiral Sampson was sittin' play-in' siven up with Admiral Schley. 'Bill,' he says, 'th' Spanish fleet is comin' out,' he says. 'What talk have ye?' says Samp-'Sind out some row boats an' a yacht an' desthroy thim. Clubs is thrumps,' he says, an' he wint on playin'. Th' Spanish fleet was attacted on all sides be our brave la-ads, nobly assisted be th' dispatch boats iv th' newspapers. Wan be wan they were desthroyed. Three battleships attacted th' convarted yacht Gloucester. Th' Gloucester used to be owned be Pierpont Morgan, but 'twas convarted, an' is now ladin' a dacint life. Th' Gloucester sunk thim all, th' Christobell Comma, the Viscera an' th' Admiral O'Quinn. It thin wint up to two Spanish torpedo boats an' give them wan punch an' away they wint. Be this time th' sojers had beerd of the victhry, an' they gathered on the shore, singin' th' naytional anthem: 'They'll be a hot time in th' ol' town to-night, me babby.' Th' gloryous ol' chune to which Washin'ton an' Grant an' Lincoln marched was took up be th' sailors on th' ships an' Admiral Cervera r-run wan iv his boats ashore an' jumped

A LETTER FROM THE FRONT.

Mr. Dooley looked important, but affected indifference. "Hm-m!" he said; "I have news fr'm th' fr-ront. Me nevvew Terry Donahue, has sint me a letter tellin' me all about it."

"How shud he know?" Mr. Hennessy

"How shud he know, is it?" Mr. Dooley demanded warmly. "How shuddent he know? Isn't he a sojer iv th' ar-rmy? Isn't it him that's down there in Sandago fightin' f'r th' honor iv th' flag while th' ikes iv you is up here livin' like a prince n' doin' nawthin' all th' live-long day but shovel slag at th' rollin' mills? Who are ye f'r to criticize th' dayfinders iv our countrry who ar're lyin' in th' thrinches ar' havin' th' clothes stole off their backs

yonder in the wall i" "Yes." "Well, I don't."—Tit-Bits.

Mr. Girlamps (who has been caught by nessy apologized. "I didn't know he was down there.

'Nayether did I," said Mr. Dooley. But I informed mesilf. I'll have no wan in this place speak again th' ar-rmy. Whin ye come to castin' aspersions on th' ar-rmy, be hivens, ye'll find that I can put me thumb on this showcase an' go over at

"I didn't say annything," said Mr. Hennessy. "I didn't know about Terry."

"Iv coorse ye didn't," said Mr. Dooley. An' that's what I'm sayin'. Ye're here wallowin' in luxury, wheelin' pig-ir'n fr'm morn till night an' ye have no thought iv what's goin' on beyant. You an' Jawn D. Rockefeller, an' Phil Ar-rmour, an' Jay Pierpont Morgan, an' Yerkuss, an' th' r-rest iv ye is settin' back at home figurin' how ye can make somewan else pay ye'er taxes f'r ye. What is to ye that me nevvew Terry is sleepin' in ditch wather an' atin' hard tacks an' coffee an' bein' r-robbed be leeber Cubans, catching yallow fever without a chanst iv givin' it to e'er a Spanyard. Ye think more iv a stamp thin ye do iv ye'er counthry. Ye're like th' Sugar thrust. F'r two cints ye'd rayfuse to support th' gover'mint. I know ye, ye bloated monno-polist."

"I'm no such thing," said Mr. Hennessy hotly.

"Well, anyhow," said Mr. Dooley, don't speak disrayspictful iv th' ar-rmy Lave me r-read you Terry's letter fr'm th' fr-ront. 'M-m: In th' thrinches, two miles fr'm Sandago, with a land crab as big as a lobster crawlin' up my back be way iv Kingston, June 6, Dear Uncle Martin.' That's th' way it begins. 'Dear Uncle Martin: We are all well here, excipt thim that is not, an' hope ye'er injyin' th' same gr-reat blessin'. It's hotter down here than Billy-be-damn'd. They'se a rollin' mill near here jus' th' same as at home, but all th' hands is laid off on account iv bad times. They used ol'-fashioned wooden wheelbarrows an' fired with wood. I don't think they cud handle th' pig th' way we done, bein' small la-ads, Th' coke has to be hauled up in sacks be th' gang. Th' derrick hands got six a week, but hadn't anny union. Helpers got four twinty. Puddlers was well paid. I wint through th' plant befure we came up here an' r-run a barrow up th' plank just to keep me hand in. Tell me friends that wan gang iv good la-ads fr'm th' r-road cud wurruk anny three iv th' gangs down here. Th' mills is owned be Rocke feller, so no more at prisint fr'm ye'er affecshunate nevvew, Peter Casey, who's writin' this f'r me."

"Tis a good letter," said Mr. Hennes I don't see how they cud get derrick hands f'r six a week."

Me frind Jawn D. knows how." said Mr. Dooley.

#### Dramatic Notes.

And now Robert Mantell has gone into vaudeville along with many another star of the legitimate. He appeared in Boston in A Lesson in Acting. Perhaps a few lessons will do him no harm.

Roland Reed has two new farces for next season—A Distinguished Guest, adapted from the German by Mr. Sydney Rosenfeld, and an unnamed comedy by Mrs. Madeleine Lucette Ryley.

Lewis Morrison, who was missed by Torontonians last season, seems to be permanently located in stock company at San Francisco, where he is just now producing Richelieu and Camille-in the lat ter himself playing Armand.

The new Casino summer review, called Yankee Doodle Dandy, has proved a disappointment in some respects. Among the most notable performers in the cast are Thomas Q. Seabrooke, Walter Jones, Madge Lessing, and Edna Wallace Hop-

The new street which is to connect the London Strand with Holborn will sweep away the Globe, the Opera Comique, and the New Olympic theaters. The owners will doubtless demand a large compensation for the ground on which these play

Mrs. "John Oliver Hobbes" Craigle is writing two new comedies, one for Ellen Terry and one for Charles Wyndham. have a tragedy in my mind also," she says, "which I should like to do first, but I am a very slow worker, and I think I had better not say anything about that tragedy at present.

A comedy entitled The Cuckoo has been written by Henry Guy Carleton for Messrs. Smyth and Rice. Other attractions which they will control during the coming season will be a new play by H. A. du Souchet entitled The Misfit Marriage, Willie Collier in The Man from Mexico, The Old Coat, and My Friend from

Robert Tabor will not return to America next season, but will continue to act in England. He has been engaged by Forbes Robertson for the part of Macduff in the latter's intended production of Macbeth at the Lyceum Theater. Mr. Tabor, for some time to come, is under contract to Sir Henry Irving, who has given his consent to the arrangement just indicated.

Viola Allen's stage version of Hall Caine's The Christian will be in five acts. The first scene will picture the ruins of Peel Castle, Isle of Man; the second, saloon of the Coliseum Music Hall, London; the third, club-room of the Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Soho; and the fourth, Glory's apartments in Clement's Inn, London. The fifth scene is the same as act three. Ethel Marlowe, protegee of Viola Allen, will play Polly Love in The Christian. She is a daughter of the once famous Owen Marlowe.

Wife (who has the foreign language spasm")-John, do you know I'm getting on splendidly with my French? I am really beginning to think in the language. Husband (interested in his paper) Is that so? Let me hear you think a little while in French .- Our Dumb Animals.

First Theosophist-This settles it; I resign from the society. Second Theosophist-What's the matter? First Theosophist-Why, one of my tenants has gone off without paying his rent and left me a note saying he would try to square with me in some future existence.-New York Herald.



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debater. Unlike Mr. Hardy and Mr. Ross,

Mr. Harcourt is not a ready speaker. He

requires long and careful preparation, and

during the week preceding his budget

speech he is unstable as an inflated balloon and fretful and impatient to be

delivered. He is nervous and somewhat

diffident in manner and easily rattled, and

if one might hazard an impression, poli-

tical life is not altogether a bed of roses

E. J. Davis, Provincial Secretary, and

chief of St. John's piggery, is a good type

of man for the Legislature—a clear-headed, active business man, who has made his

way in private and business circles, in municipal life, and passed on into the

higher realms of Parliament. He is a clear and forcible speaker on those mat-

speaking suggests the class meeting,

where, doubtless, he obtained his training,

choice remains to be Mr. Foy of South

Upon the Opposition side of the House

the real debating power has yet to be dis-

covered. The defeat of so many old and tried supporters has sadly weakened Mr.

Whitney's chances of making serious in-

roads upon the Government, unless among

the new men some unknown champion

may be found. Much is expected from

it was to Oliver Howland he is not likely

to be a brilliant success, even though he

Upon the Government side good debating

alent and well-seasoned Cabinet material

is to be had in plentiful supply. Mr.

Stratton of West Peterborough, who

obtained the largest majority outside

of Toronto, has made many important

speeches on behalf of the Government,

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for although the wis-

dom of his promotion to Cabinet honors has

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put there solely be-

cause of his promin-ence in the Methodist

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#### The Ontario Legislature from the Speaker's Gallery. BY A CANDID VISITOR.

malignant abuse from political op-ponents as that of the "Hardy" Government in calling the present sion extraordinary" of the Legislature. Unusual indeed must be the reasons for a midsummer session, and unusual in many ways is this session likely to be. The members, almost fresh from the general elections, have

yet their campaign speeches upon their lips and the stirring songs of victory have scarcely died away upon their ears. The Opposition are still smarting under defeat and the Government

has scarcely yet realized what has happened. With a large Mr. Hardy listening proportion of the members of the present House, parliamentary life is a new experience and the result of the "breaking in" is a matter of much curiosity. The goddess of political warfare was unkind to many of the old members, for in a house of ninety-four seats fifty-four are occupied

by new men. In many instances it was the unexpected that happened. The Patron party, which in 1894 played such havoc with the older parties and for a session or two threatened to hold the balance of power, has been swallowed by the Opposition, and the strident voice of its auctioneer leader will no longer be heard in the legislative halls. Gone also are three Cabinet Ministers, one to retirement on account of ill-health, and two to the Speaker's gallery. The Opposition, how-ever, suffered the most severe loss, if the enforced retirement of the loquacious St. John, the prosaic Willoughby, the inconsequent Meacham, the impossible Magwood, the impracticable Howland and the tireless Ryerson may be regarded as losses. With one or two exceptions the whole of Mr. Whitney's prospective Cabinet failed to be returned. In place of these, none of whom could be considered of first rank,



The Conservative Leader.

although circumstances gave them pro minence, he has received large numerical additions, and the two parties are now nearly equal in size. The Government, however, has the advantage of knowing its debating strength, while the Opposition has that yet to learn.

The known debaters of ability in the House at present are not numerou-Modern conditions of parliamentary life seem to discourage the political orator. Debates have now become what their generic name implies, argumentative dis-cussions and reasonings rather than appeals to the finer sensibilities. The oratorical grandeur of Burke, the impassioned stateliness of Fox, the silvery robustness of Bright and the lofty seriousness of Gladstone are to us mere traditions out of the pages of history, the echoes of which have come down to us, but the realities of which we can never hope to hear repeated.

already known, the Attorney-General and the Minister of Education, whose sur names combined form the title of the ad ministration, are unquestionably the best in the House. Indeed, since Fraser none have been able to rank with them. Hon Mr. Hardy does not seem in as good condition as usual. His nervous irritability seems greater than ever. He looks paland worried and somewhat unstrung The strain of the past six months Ross, on the other hand, seems stronger and more robust than he has for some years. He has fewer

nerves than his desk. mate and leader, and has a better command temper. He is a man of strong mentality and revels in political turmoil. He has not as perfect a parliamen tary style as Mr. Hardy, but his tongue is vitriol-tipped and oppo-Mr. Marter. sition and interruption

only whet his invective and retort. Although during the last session Mr. Hardy on the whole showed to better advantage than any man in the House, he was in better physical condition than at present, and the brunt of the sessional debating at this time-and it will be session of debates only-will likely fall on the Minister of Education.

The loss of two Cabinet Ministers through defeat is, as Disraeli once put it, "no slight inconvenience to the Government." Colonel Gibson, though not showy as a debater, was a decent fellow and deserved a better fate. His greatest usefulness was in the Private Bills Committee where his keen insight and real talents were displayed to the best advantage The fitness of Hon. John Dryden to be the Farmer General" of the province was never questioned, but selfishness is not a virtue in political life, and he retires with

EW political actions in recent years have caused such persistent and malignant abuse from political opexpense of his own political career,

Everyone acknowledges that J. P. Whitnev's chance of a lifetime is at hand. Is he big enough for it? That is the question. When he made his maiden speech in the House from the back benches some eight or nine years ago it was at once recognized that ability had somehow found an entrance into a party of mediocrity, and that Mr. Meredith at last had found one among his followers of real assistance. When the change in leadership took place, during the recess of 1894, it was thought needful for some reason to have a Toronto man in the position, and the consequential Marter was selected. His abject failure, however, was predicted, and before many months he was superseded by the only man in the party with any of the necessary qualifications. Unlike Mr. Meredith, Mr. Whitney has not the personal attractiveness that



HON. G.W. ROSS.

appeals to the imagination. "I do like Mr. Meredith, he's so good-looking," was heard frequently in the old days from fair lips, and nearly half the battle has been won when the affections of the feminine non-voters have been secured. But as neither Mr. Ross nor Mr. Foster at Ottawa, both coming leaders in their spheres, look like statesmen, and Mr. Whitney is better-looking than either, he need not despair. His early training for parliamentary life was in good hands, for the late John Sandfield Macdonald was his legal and political godfather.

Mr. Whitney is by no means as finished an orator as Mr. Ross, nor as keen a debater as Mr. Hardy, but he is a more generous opponent than the former and usually has a better command over himself than the latter. But he is too serious. He is studious, energetic, careful; holds nis supporters well in hand; is well liked, well informed, and fair-minded; but he is not brilliant. His speeches are argumentative, serious, professor-like-he is the practicing lawyer always. He is seldom entertaining, and people want entertain-

"Tickle the public and make them grin, The more you tickle the more you win— Feach the public, you'll never grow rich, You'll live like a pauper and die in the ditch.

Mr. Whitney is painfully new to leader-ship, for he cannot bear to have his motives questioned, and he colors and



ture. His fondness for the public accounts either of these. His speeches, doubtless read well enough-if anyone in these days reads speeches-but one can realize anything more uninteresting to



lumber question and such other matters as he is familiar with. An impression seems to prevail that polities and religion do not assimilate - in-

the single exception of his immediate predecessor, Mr. Balfour, the Speakership has been considered honor enough for one man.

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deed, Lord Palmerston once said that Department, the assumed lawful right of the Roman Catholic Cabinet Minister. Came more and more lengthy until I was they could not be But he also is distasteful to the powers mixed. Mr. Miscamp that be. Mr. Garrow of West Huron is she were visiting me or my gardener's livious to the claims of friendship to offer

successfully, although, to tell the truth, he confines his politics largely to the legislative arena and his religion to Knox College. His knowledge of the lumber interests, with which he was long identified, had established his claims to the portfolio talks too long and must learn that until he is actually entitled to wear "Honorable" of Crown Lands-and then he would be "Minister" indeed-providing the member for North Toronto, with his acquaintbefore his name people are not content to listen to him for an hour or two at a ance with the colonization roads of Musstretch. Mr. W. A. Charlton, younger brother of the celebrated Commercial Unionist, has not taken a very active part The Provincial Treasurer, from his official position, is looked upon as one of the strong men of the House. His polished manner and dignifled appearance make in debate as yet, but he is a trusted sup-porter and an invaluable man in many him an ornament to the front row, and his well-modulated voice and limpid senways to the Government. William Manley German looks like a colonel of cavalry. tences always leave a pleasant impression on his audiences. But he is not a good He has a splendid presence and is a capital platform speaker. He looks every inch a

eader—and he may be one some day.

It may be that from the Government ranks, as from the Opposition, some de-bating talent, now unrecognized, may be developed that will rank with the best that is now known. Few speeches have as yet been made and little opportunity has presented itself for the younger men to try their 'prentice hands and show their capacity. The parliamentary arena is an awe-inspiring place. Brave men have been known to hesitate to speak before so critical and unsympathetic an audience. Men who in their own county were considered orators of no mean ability, have been overcome with nervousness at the thought of catching the Speaker's eye and talking to an expectant province, and sessions, and even parliaments, have come ters with which he concerns himself, and is a power on the stump. His manner of unknown and unheard. and gone while they sat mute and quiet,

MAX MACARTHY. Toronto, August 6, 1898.

Me.

OSSESSED of a competence and living alone I have made a practice of inviting various types of young womanhood to visit me during the past twenty years, and in the study of their characteristics and idiosyncrasies have arrived at a certain comprehension of the nature of the animal, mental and spiritual mix-up which we call a girl. A bewildering complexity and a depressing sameness results. In some points every girl is like every other girl; in many ways each girl is as new and appallingly distinct a creature as was the lady whose appetite ran to apples.

The very first girl I ever asked to stay at my home was fresh from the bondage of boarding-school and wild with spirits and general curiosity about the great unknown and presumably desirable life out-side bread and butter suppers and 'preps." She talked incessantly, made acquaintances in a sort of sleight-of-hand manner which defied my utmost vigilance to discover. Within a month she had been "seen home "from impromptu shop-ping tours by a Colonel who lived apart from his wife, a bank clerk who was afterwards cashiered, and an assortment of other ineligibles, finishing with the policeman of our district, to whom she re presented herself as being a deaf and dumb girl on a visit to me, and totally unaware of localities. She showed me the pad upon which she had imparted these curious circumstances to the honest and much impressed Bobby, under whose anxious care she arrived in the midst of a lawn tennis tea which I had arranged in her honor. This freak was merely in retort to my prophecy that some day I expected to see her brought home in charge of the police, and I can recall at this late day the pretty picture she made as she threw kisses after the broad back of her retreating escort, amid the scandalized stares and delighted mirth of old and young. She was absolutely without fear and void of les convenances. She slipped from the boarding-school bonds into society life as the butterfly slips from its chrysalis shell; she alternately shocked and amused my large circle, and after three months of uneasiness on my part, and apparently innocent faux pas on hers, she captured the fancy of a young English lord, who was touring should not be neglected, and I would kinds of illness when the party promised to be short of escorts. These girls have does sit in the front row among the elect. the colonies married him and now has a family of six, and turns the scales at one noticed that I was a very popular hostess, half hour brought me to my knees before hundred and eighty pounds. And when I and with a coterie which had heretofore went to see her, she patronized me in a left me pretty much to myself. Men who ness. They have asked me questions that

manner, so that in one week I found

and has been chairman of committee of breath to bid her farewell, forever. the whole House and of the print-I have had an assortment of bored, ing committee for several years. In anæmic girls, who have grown ruddy and all probability he is in succession for developed appetites under my roof, and the Speakership, although a Cabinet office would be more to his liking. one of the most impressive of these was a girl I met at the home of her parents. The present Speaker also claims Cabinet whom I visited for a day or two long ago. recognition, forgetful of the fact that with She trifled with breakfast, yawned through lunch, and declined dinner, until, moved by the usual impulse, I begged the loan of her. Sweetly and listlessly she accompanied me home, and took up her abode with me in patient uncomplaint. As a first experiment I entrusted her with a certain commission which involved responsible action and some finesse. It was done as perfectly as I could have done it myself, but when I said so my guest suppressed a yawn with a smile. I was put on my mettle with her, having found that her ennui arose from lack of interesting aims, not lack of interest in general. Quietly dragged our even life for the first week, until the gardener's child was desperately scalded and an account of his plight was fetchingly given to us at breakfast. My girl paused in crumbling her roll to listen, while my Irish maid waxed eloquent and my blood ran cold. I hastily checked the history and promised to go and see the little sufferer. The girl opposite me said not a word, but when, later on, I commissioned a maid to take some fruit and a message to the cottage, my guest spoke hesitat ingly, "Could'nt I go? I should like to. Of course I assented, curiously watching a faint light in her usually quiet eyes. There are yet tales told in the twilight by the gardener's wife of that visit, and it came more and more lengthy until I was moved to ask the embryo nurse whether

brilliant, but as he holds his seat by grace of the returning officer he cannot be considered in the race for office. Mr. Pattulo of North Oxford has developed well since his first election two years ago, and takes an active part in debate, but he always and whise results and the property of the shock of my life when my guest informed me that the cook had intrusted her with the precious recipe, and that she had promised only to tell it to one person, and that person was not I. I never asked who, but Mrs. General invited us to tiffin dently happy that I did not resent it when she also patronizingly remarked on the score of deficiency. Even hard tack wouldn't scare it.

Once I fell a victim to a beautiful face! want her breakfast at nine, nor her luncheon at two. My maids emerged from her dressing-room with faces in which awe and amazement were plainly mingled. The upper floor took on an air of mystery, and strange perfumes mingled with the usually homely scent of lavender and honey soap. An array of bottles, flasks, boxes and jars took the place of my embroidered sachets on the toilet-table, and a faint odor of cigarettes hovered over all. The breath of Bohemia seemed to mingle with the atmosphere of a barbershop and the influence of a Turkish harem. I grew to loathe the carefully closed door Girls Who Have Stayed With beautiful guest until noon each morning. I more than suspected tobacco, I had shiversofmistrustofliqueurs. Then I began flowers in the jardinieres so fresh. Mary was reproved and looked penitent but said she had been massaging the beauty and to lose. brushing her hair. Of course she was fully sheltered by this excuse, but when it in one class. They were all affectionate, was made to do duty in a matter of late rising, and also trotted out as a reason their bangs until a very searching suggeswhy the shades were not drawn on a tion of singed hair wafted across the hall blazing hot afternoon, the situation grew to my boudoir; never too tired to go for complicated. I told Mary she must try any sort of outing which included men, to arrange her work so that the house but apt to develop headaches and divers

life work, and whispered a wish to join the nursing sisterhood. In those days the which, of course, I carefully omitted to present craze had not materialized, but taste. It was all I could do to get even with much coaxing I talked her parents with her. My guest soon began to make into a conditional consent. The conditions inroads on my affection which were as vanished when my blasee young woman new as impossible. She was so sweetly came home for her first vacation, brim-ming with life and interest, and so evi-ticularly in a protege I was intensely ticularly in a protege I was intensely proud of. The protege adored her, confided in her, and they were much together, fact that I alone had understood what she needed. That young woman is at this date nursing soldiers down in Cuba, and protege in whom I was interested might date nursing soldiers down in Cuba, and be made for each other. I saw a future in which they two grew great and noted and happy, and I, like the heavy father, blessed my children. Even in reckless moments It is very hard work to have a beauty as a guest. The beauty could not "keep hours" any more than the wild girl from school could keep bounds. She did not Then my turtle doves had a ruction and the protege came no more. The girl-guest maintained an ominous silence for a day or two, while I openly and a bit malici-ously lamented his defection. Then she gravely remarked that I was too kind, too trustful, too generous, and that a certain person did not appreciate these traits. Before I could stop her she burst into torrent of indignant words, mainly directed against ungrateful persons in general, but finally impaling my erstwhile protege as the chief sinner in the aggrega-tion. There still hangs over me the miserable cloud that fell that far-off day, though my guest is and was unconscious, like Fido, of the mischief she has done. Was it jealousy, or stupidity, or really outraged idea of right that moved her? The result is unfortunately the same. I love her to notice that my drawing-room was not still, but I do not risk another visit from so carefully dusted as usual, nor were the her. She has outflanked my gastronomic and platonic strongholds, and there are still a few things left me which I don't care

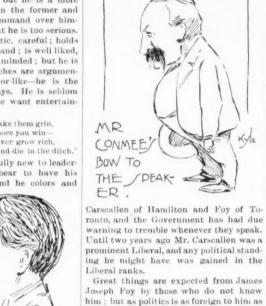


I had to walk out in my shoes and rescue them.

most natural and totally exasperating had puffs under their eyes and a blase wrinkle on the forehead and who said pounded beliefs that have made me want Aw" frequently, were constantly calling at the afternoon tea hour and arrang-ing drives and outings at which my nce as chaperone was indispensable. As the beauty was also included in these enjoyments, I dutifully chaperoned many a fine dinner, drag party, and heavy supper, at which her radiant face was always the center of an eager crowd of men. Looking at these men sometimes made me feel as if I wanted a psychic bath. They had on me an indescribably sullying effect. Finally I had my doctor prescribe the seaside for an imaginary illness, the beauty went up the country on a coaching tour with another chaperone and the bulging-eyed men, and I discharged Mary and started the rest of the staff housecleaning in August, to their intense disgust and non-comprehension. I have never had a call from my temporary besiegers since, and when I meet them in the park they have but one formula: "Glad you're feeling more fit; nothing like sea air. When's your friend coming back?" She is never coming back, she says. She is about to marry a colonial bishop, the papers say.

Once I fell in love with a girl and, as usual, within a month she had taken possession of my guest chamber. Not that she paused there; she also owned the remainder of my dwelling, and had wormed from my cook a recipe for chutney which she had firmly declined to impart to me during a continued supplication of five years. With that recipe for chutney I could have held trumps in any game the General's wife could play. We both devoured it in ignorant unrest, as my cook made it in sphynx-like mysteriousness, and I was weekly in terror that Mrs. General might become sufficiently ob-

At this time I shocked me by holdness have made my hair stand up, and proto ring up the fire alarm. They have arrived home serenely from a yachting tour at three o'clock in the morning, and wept at my stony and scandalized visage, until I have mingled my tears with theirs and gone to my bed feeling like an ogre and a Turk in one. They have lied to me and confessed, and sighed out love stories and indignantly repudiated them two days later, and worn my collars and lost my wraps, and broken my jewelry and dogeared my dearest books, and criticized my rarest curios; they have dressed my hair in new fashions and burnt it by handfuls, and decorated my rooms with fancy work of every degree of uselessness and ugliness, and made me presents of every sort of rare and precious and vulgar and impossible articles on record. They have cured ills I never had, by Christian science, and broken several notes in the piano; they have set lampshades on fire, and thrown burnt matches into my old lace curtains. They have consumed the regular hours of sleep in telling me all about everything in the world and out of it, and have caused me to receive furious letters from parents and guardians touch ing detrimentals who have pursued them to their homes when their visiting days were brought to a close. They have gone wading at lakeside resorts and caught their feet between rocks, and I have had to walk out in my shoes and rescue them; they have corrupted my servants by sympathetic listening, and ruined my bicycle by reckless riding. They are nuisances and responsibilities and have destroyed my repose, shocked my sensibilities and ruined my judgment. I feel powerless and abject as I recall compromises, condonings and concealments which those girls have led me into. To-morrow, in spite of all, I am just as sure as fate to be adding one more to the list of girls who have stayed with me.





quirms under castigation or ridicule like seems to be telling on him. Hon. Mr. a guilty child. This, however, will wear off and he will become callous like other politicians soon enough.

The nominal second lieutenant to the leader of the Opposition is probably the most industrious man on that side of the House. From his first entry into the over his patience and House four years ago, Col. Matheson has been the financial critic for the Opposition—the "Jim McMullen" of the Legislasuggests that he has hopes of some day compiling that interesting volume, and the result of the general elections must have been very disappointing to him indeed. In the role of financial critic for his party he is the natural successor of Clancy, the "Relentless," and the late H. E. Clarke, but he is less brilliant than

> listen to. Andrew Miscampbell speaks well but not often, and, unlike Col. Matheson, contents himself with the

Mr. Conmee, who is a capital debater, is also an aspirant for the Public Works bell, however, managed to unite them very prominent in debate, although not exactly family. The girl's face flushed and that cook enough to steal her from me. I with me.

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#### Anecdotal.

A Frenchman applied to a local official how interdependence, and not antagofor a passport to visit Klatterwing-chen in Switzerland. The functionary, who was not a fellow of any geographical society, struggled in vain with the spelling of the place's name. Then, unwilling to confess his difficulty, he blandly asked: "Would you as lief visit some other town?"

A person of some prominence in the shadier walks of public life-one, in fact, the country's most active shakers "-approaching Speaker Reed in Washington, greeted him effusively and familiarly. "Who is that man?" asked the gentleman with Reed. "That," was Reed's reply, "is a New Yorker who knows more distinguished people that don't know him than any man in America.'

the proper thing for a clerical teaparty which he was catering. The rural dean's wife at Whistlebury invited the clergy to tea, and ordered cakes from the local confectioner. These arrived in due time, beautifully iced, and each decorated with the monogram "L.H.S." in leing! The confectioner evidently thought he was doing the correct thing for a clerical party, but the cakes were carefully cut in pieces before being sent to the table.

Two rival French manufacturers of Said he to the defendant : " I do not consider this an honest label. On the front you say in large type, ' Pure French Coffee, and on the back in very small letmake any suggested alteration. "No." opinion." "Then," said the defendant,

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An impressive ceremony took place re ently at the largest Lutheran church in this country, says the Youth's Companion, when, in the presence of over two thousand members, the pastor and trustees destroyed a cancelled mortgage of thirty thousand dollars upon the church property. The document was torn into as many pieces as there were officers, and at a given signal ach held his piece in the flame of a candle till it was consumed, the pastor exclaim-"So perish all mortgages on God's property!" When nothing but the ashes remained, the people rose and with glad hearts sang the Doxology. Doubtless few of those present remembered the historical precedent. In the year 1252 Henry III., with the Gospel in one hand and a lighted taper in the other, swore to observe the Magna Charta. The archbishop and relates and the king himself dashed their candles on the ground, while each dignitary closed his nostrils and his eyes against the smoke and smell, with the words, "So go out, with smoke and stench, the accursed souls of those who break or pervert the Charter," to which all replied 'Amen and amen," but none more loudly than the king.

#### On-Growth and Out-Growth.

The Supreme Test of Friendship.

VERYONE has an amused smile for the girl whose skirts and sleeves are inadequate to meet the requirements of her increas ing length of arm and limb, or for the boy who must wear out his knee breeches when his long legs plaintively appeal for long trousers to match. On smiles and says, in the excusing, proud, explanatory way of the parent, "The children do grow so fast!" But no one quarrels with the children; the growth is a natural physical phase. How differently the older folks are ant to look upon growth of another sort, corresponding exactly in psychic realms to this ungainly out-strip ping of the garments of childhood in the material sense. We do not think as our fathers and mothers did, therefore, say the elder folk, we must be wrong. On this rock splits the comfort of many a family, ifidence between mother and daughter, father and son. In some cases the favor has been accorded to the "random new growth shows itself as ungainly as the boy or girl with the inadequate sleeves. The young folks get hold of the notion that freedom is the first requisite for growth, and they confuse freedom with her illegitimate sister, license. Over the wheel. It has been suggested that the result arises the wail of the passing each of the big cycling clubs hold a fete of the result arises the wail of the passing eneration at the manners and the notions of the kings and queens of to-day, our autiful young folks, so courageous, so ndependent, so healthy and vigorous in oul and body. A generation ago the same phase showed in another way, when a party grew to assert the individual rights of the gentler sex, and the world was In general the games require more skill divided brother against sister in this new outgrowing country. For decades the partizans went about in ungainly garb, but to-day we are learning that such clothes did not fit and why, and the sexes are graciously agreeing on just how far

and how near they are to each other, and

nism, is the secret of growth.

cannot look back and recognize the garments which once fitted it comfortably and now are cast aside, visibly outgrown and inadequate. There is a coat of policy and a hat of protection which we wore when we dodged some burning truth and searching question, and perhaps there is an umbrella of antique make, with which we tried to keep off some precious rains which were destined to give us fresh life and nourishment, the rain of thoughts born in us from salt tears and lightning strokes of deprivation, which no umbrella ever held could ward off. And it is funny to look at the elbows rubbed threa bare in some robe of reserve for the dinner? tory of a baker who was anxious to do all the wrong way on some stately cloak of tradition and prejudice and pride, and to remember how these expensive garments were thus damaged in our compul sory contact with the busy, rushing, self absorbed world! And here is a tight smart garment with the seams burst, lala! The new wine of thought in the old bottles over again. That gown is yet good and sound and may be mended up for someone it will fit, but not for her who grew out of it. The other day a stalwart brother of mine essayed to wear a much loved hunting suit, in which years ago coffee had a difference on the score of he had tramped many happy miles labels and the dispute was duly taken to after the dappled quail and the plump partridge. We watched his face as he unfolded the stained cord-We watched his fingered the big game pockets and thought of days of sport when the world was younger. Then he flung the ters, 'A compound of chicory, etc.' This coat about him and stood pinioned by its The defendant offered to scant width, while I, who had hoarded the grimy things for years for him, saw with li-gust how far they came short of utility. The big brother laughed. It was not as I expected, a laugh of chagrin; it was a proud and self-satisfied chuckle. "Not quite a fit. sis," and he gave a bloodardling wrench, till the buttons flew What mattered the old cherished storm stained coat? He had outgrown it, and he gently gloried in the fact. It has often ae to me since that the growth is, after all, the only thing.

> "Just wait until you want help. That tests your friends," said a woman b tterly as she told me of some Belshazzars among her acquaintances. This is such a stupid wail, for really one does not know who are friends until they have proved themselves such under test. One's friends do not fail, Other persons are merely professors, ac quaintances, toadies, pretenders, any old thing! And such a test is after all not a supreme one. It may be general philanthropy, excessive bigness and goodness of heart, the generous impulse of the strong to care

persons to be good and kind to you. Such persons love to do things for others; it is their sweet and helpful nature asserting itself, no more. You and I know, and love and bless all such. But the supreme test of friendship lies deeper. It some times happens that there is incarnated a soul so crooked with a mind so perverse, that after its friends have helped and heartened and worked for it, this unhappy being will not only disown but decry them. If this did not happen to of us we should not know what friendship will sometimes endure. But if, when you have done your stint of helping, loving and cheering, you are scorned, insulted or covertly injured, and you can yet be so true and so lofty that you bear no grudge, but still are ready and willing to aid and comfort, then I am inclined to think you can assure yourself that you may be called truly a friend.

#### A Knot of Blue. W. R. A. Wilson in The Puritan. In olden days, for lady's praise, A knight went forth to war

With arms complete, his charger fleet, And pennon fluttering far; While on the field of blazoned s Hung, pure and fair to view,

A simple band from woman's hand-A tiny knot of blue A true knot, a blue knot, A lover's knot of blue.

### Did foeman bold, or robber's gold, Or Paynim blade appear,

For God, St. Clair and lady fair "-Went forth the ringing cheer.
'Mid weapons' flash and deafening clash,
As man and beast he slew, An omen clear danced ever near-

A ting knot of blue;
A true knot, a blue knot,
A lover's knot of blue,

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To-day your knight goes forth to fight. Oh, love, my love, so true: God gives him grace his foes to face With your sweet knot of blue, A true knot, a blue knot, A lover's knot of blue.

Bicycle Gymkhana Bicycle-club runs have fallen into a easure of disrepute with the large cycling clubs of New York, the members of these organizations having turned their attention to some form of diversion that may constitute a satisfactory substitute. Some run," but it has not entirely filled the bill; and the form of amusement which seems most likely to obtain among cyclists is what is known as the "gymkhana," a set of games and odd feats performed upon this description, and the Century Wheelmen, the largest cycling club in New York, have taken the initiative in adopting this form of sport for America. It is said to one appealing feature-that of being adapted to both wheelmen and wheelwomen almost without distinction. and agility than main strength, and for certain class. But among the sweller clubs these characteristics will only confirm the popularity of the "gymkhana." Another attraction, and one that may carry the sport for a time against opposition on any grounds, is its novelty. The club run was popular when it was newly introduced, but it has staled upon its It is a stagnant and unhealthy soul who former devotees, and something new rather than something better has been the

#### A Cheap Dinner.

"Send us the best dinner for four that your place can do," was the telephone order received by one of London's best caterers

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"What, don't you recognize my voice?" and then there came over the wire the name of one of the men about town with plenty of money and a discriminating

"Oh, yes, certainly. Any special orders

No; we leave all that to you. Carte blanche, you know. Best wines and all that. Spread your-elf, old man, for I have three friends from America, and we're celebrating the great naval victory. You know where my bachelor quarters are. Have it here by eight.'

Near the time named two waiters approached the appointed place with a big

hamper well filled. "Hold on, boys," said a fine-looking man who approached them hurriedly, "he ants you to go back and get a full case of fizz. Having a great time up there. Just leave this with me, and I'll have it carried in. Don't lose any time." waiters made a good record, but when they returned the big hamper had disap peared, the bachelor's rooms were locked. and, when he was run down, it was found that he was without the slightest knowledge of what had occurred. The caterer is bearing the chaffing complacently, but he would willingly give the price of a big banquet to know who ate that swell dinner and never returned the table-

#### All Run Down.

All Run Down.

This is the condition of thousands. Squanderers have they been of sleep, rest and finally of health. The mad pursuit of place, power and pelf leaves them broken in spirit, weak in body, shattered in nerve. In the world, but no longer of it, their days are spent in desire, imputent and purposeless, for they have bankrupted health. Thousands are on the road. They heed not the warning that nature gives.

Sleeplessness, iner.la, despondency and fatigue a 4d their mournful notes to the "still, sad music of humanity." Tired! Tired! You need aid! Your system requires a staff upon which to lean, and your brain rest for increasing vigits! Health and strength are the alternatives from decay and death.

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Cocs, combined with Maltine, affords that staff. It will give tone to the nervous system, strength to the shattered nerves, sleep to the weary eyes and rest to the tired brain. Maltine with Coca Wine will build up the body and give strength, vigor and health to the weak and debilitated. Maltine with Coca Wine is sold by all demonstrates. for and protect the weak, that moves all druggists.

#### The Nerve of Atwood.

A Poker Story from the New York Sun. HE coldest nerve I ever saw behind, he paused to nail his poker hand to the table with a bowie knife before turning and drawing his own revolver to return the fire.

Atwood was a queer feliow in a good

many ways. Physically he wasn't much to look at, but he had dandified habits that seemed curiously out of place in s man whose business kept him constantly in association with the roughest men in the country at that time-I am speaking of the lumbermen in the upper Mississippi thirty years ago-and was, in fact, as wild as the wildest of them. He was small and a little stoop-shouldered, and his face was narrow and sallow, with a queerly crooked nose, and little sharp eyes that were set much too close together to be pleasing. He was as vain as a peacock. though, and dressed always in fashion plate style, shaved every day and waxed his mustache, which was a habit nobody else indulged in west of Chicago in those days, so far as my observation went.

"He was a good deal of a politician, and was suspected of writing some of the most violent articles that appeared in the local papers at a time when Minnesota journalism was not conspicuous for its close regard for the amenities of life. There had een a deal of scandal about a member of the State Legislature from Minneapoliscall him Davis-for some time before the fight that I speak of, and Atwood had been among Davis's most violent critics.

"This particular night there was quite a crowd in Bill Galloway's gambling house n the east side of Minneapolis, near the old Fort Snelling road. Atwood was playing poker with four other men. Two were lumbermen, friends of Atwood's, and the fifth was a St. Paul man, a stranger to me. It was the first game I had ever seen played with \$10 gold pieces for chips. Of ourse, for the heavy betting they used paper money, for, as the ante was one chip and it took two to come in, there were not chips enough to bet with when the big hands came. Limit games were not much in vogue in Galloway's place at any time, but table stakes usually meant a few hundred dollars at the outside, and this was the largest I had ever seen up to that time, for each player had a good-sized wad, and there must have been \$12,000 or \$15,000 in sight at least.

'Nothing special occurred for over an hour, when there came a jack pot which was opened for \$100, and somewhat to my surprise all the players came in. It was a jack for five chips in the first place, and had been sweetened once, so there was \$800 in the center before the draw. The second surprise came when each man drew two cards, excepting Atwood, who stood pat. They were holding their cards close, so none of us around the party knew what any player held, but it appeared later that Atwood had four jacks. They weren't playing straight flushes, so his hand was almost a sure one

"The opener put up another hundred on the strength of his three of a kind. The next one raised it a hundred. The third did the same thing, and so did the fourth. He was the St. Paul man, and he had caught a fourth seven spot, while the others had not bettered. Atwood made it a thousand to play. One, two and three dropped out. Three of a kind was no hand for that struggle, and that is what each of them had. The St. Paul man was delighted, though he tried hard to conceal it, and he came back at Atwood with another thousand. He was ahead of the game, having about \$6,000 in front of him at the beginning of the deal, while Atwood only had about half that. That left him enough to raise the St. Paul man once more, and he did it promptly.

I suppose I'll have to call you, said sorry you haven't more money with you.' 'I have three thousand in the bank,' d Atwood. 'If you care to take my said Atwood.

"Cheques were not in great favor at Galloway's, and the St. Paul man hesitated naturally enough, but one of Atwood's 'I'll cash your cheque for you, Jack,' he said, and just then the

"The entrance to the room was midway between the faro and the poker tables, and Atwood sat with his back towards it. Davis had entered the room oiselessly and had fired as soon he saw Atwood. Shooting from behind will ruin a man in any community, and I don't suppose Davis would have done it if he hadn't been half drunk and half mad with rage as well, nor would be have missed if he hadn't been drinking. I was of its mission. watching Atwood closely and hadn't seen Davis enter. As it was I saw the left end forgot her wrath, forgot her dignity and of Atwood's mustache disappear at the instant the shot rang out, and a red turn his head. He reached down as quick as a ferret and drew a knife from somewhere below the line of the top, laying his cards face down on the table with his left hand at the same instant.

The game stands as it is,' he said. without a quaver in his voice as he drove the knife through the cards and the baize cover, deep into the wood, with a vic stab. Then just as quickly he reached for his hip pocket and stood facing around with a revolver leveled at Davis.

Two other shots rang out as he rose. They were fired by Atwood's friends, but fortunately they hit nobody. Another man had seized Davis' gun as he was tr ing to shoot again, and there was a scuffl going on in a moment, with three or fou men on a side, all of whom, however, were trying to force Davis out of the room. Atwood held his fire, seeing that there was a group of men in front of him, and stood still as he saw the struggle going on When he saw that Davis was being pushed out at the door he smiled, but didn't say Perhaps I ought to say he grinned Smile is too pretty a word for his face.

When his enemy was outside and th

door was closed, he put his pistol back in his pocket and felt his cheek carefully. It was bleeding very slightly, but he wiped

it off with his handkerchief, and turning displayed by anyone," said the gray-haired young man, All right, Jim. Give me the money and "wasJack Atwood's, when, after being shot at from "He was the least excited man in He was the least excited man in the

room. The St. Paul player looked at him steadily as Atwood's friend was counting out the bills, and then exclaimed with an oath, 'I don't believe I care about raising you again. It's a call.'

The hands were shown, and, of course, Atwood took the pot."

#### A Drawing-Room Scene. Boston Courier.

RDELLA'S brown eyes looked pen sive and her voice took on a plain-tive tone. "That wasn't nice of you, Jack, to make copy of me." "That is just how you look at it. Some girls I know would consider it the greatest of compliments."

Jack looked not only surprised, but not a little of grievance was in his voice as he answered the pretty girl who had promised to be his just a week before the present conversation. Ardella turned over the pages of her flance's latest magazine story, and sighed. The story was made more in teresting for the average reader by the fact that it was illustrated by its author, in clever sketches, pen and ink and wash pictures, in all of which figured a most attractive young woman.

Ardella turned over page after page and in every drawing saw herown pretty, graceful self pictured. There she was in her sealskin jacket and street suit ready for a walk with Jack; there, in the dainty frock she had worn at Mrs. Dane's tea, when she and Jack first became acquainted: there in her sweetest ball gown. The last reminded her of something.
"It is not the sketches so much, Jack,"

she said, "but you made copy of me. How could you be so unkind? That scene, now where she is in the conservatory and he comes in and finds her-and-oh, Jack, how could you spoil the sacredness of it? There was more than the suspicion of a sob in her voice. There was vehemence in his as he replied :

"I could not help it, Ardella. You stared at me, spoke to me, sang to me-I saw you in every page. You danced about my pen and even invaded the ink-bottle with your presence.

All extremely pretty and poetical, but seemingly not convincing eloquence, for the frown st ll wrinkled Ardella's brow. Yet Jack Burling had thought to bring a most delightful offering for the acceptance of his goddess. The magazine story which was almost a novelette and was Jack's first extended effort in the field of literature, had a heroine-and such a heroine! The author had put into th character all the qualities his fancy had pictured as possessions of Miss Ardella Miles, and, whether depicted as wise witty, merry or in a sentimental mood

the creation was invariably charming. The drawings were even more fascinating than the pen portraits. "Some girls would consider it a compliment, Jack had said, only this girl did not. She had thought it considerable of a pleasure, if not in its way an honor, to be singled out from all the world and asked to be the wife of a newspaper man, one who had been a war correspondent and who wrote stories and drew or painted his own illustrations as well, but to be made copy of -to say the least, that was not nice. Every bright thing she had ever said, every saucy word, every tender phrase, every odd pose, here they all were, down in black and white.

"I don't like it," she said, after a long silence during which the pages of the magazine were twisted entirely out of snape by her nervous fingers, "and I think it might be better for you to choose some body else."

She should have stopped here, but she the latter, 'seeing it's table stakes, but I'm did not. Why is it that young and pretty wemen seemingly take such delight in saying cruel and bitter things, words that cut to the heart the men who have won turn, within their own keeping? Ardella did not pause.

I might run out of wit and brightness. went on, "and good looks some day, and then I should not be worth anything as copy. His pluck and pride prevented him from

showing where the arrow had pierced. "Very well," he said, as he tucked his magazine with its now crinkled, tattered pages into his coat-pocket. 'I am sorry this has offended you.'

This was jammed down into the coatpocket until its former beauty must have been wholly unrecognizable. He did not care. The gift for his goddess had failed Jack had reached the door when she

called him back. "I did not mean a word," she said.

Foolish boy, didn't you know I was acting all the time?" For, on second thoughts, had he not

spoken of "some girls I know" who would It might be as well to find out the identity | reading the newspaper)-I dunno, I hope of those other girls.

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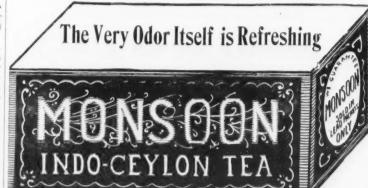
The Washington Star prints a new definition of an old word:
"Mistuh Pinkley," said Miss Miami

Brown, " what is dis here diplomacy "Well, I dunno whethuh I kin transparify de question so's you'll see froo it. But ef de lan'lord come 'roun' foh de rent an' I says I ain't gwinter pay, why I gits put out. But ef I tells 'm ter come 'roun'

nex' week, an' nex' week tells 'im to come

'roun' again, an' so on, dat's diplomacy.'

Mrs. Youngling-John, do you suppose you can hear the baby from where you are onsider it the greatest of compliments! if he wakes up and cries? John (who is not.



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•••••• HE effects of the Spanish-American war will long be felt in many directions, as all wars are felt in any country. What it may mean to individual homes of joy and glory we shall hear later on. What it may mean to other homes of which we shall hear little, those who have drunk to its dregs the cup of bitter bereavement To the nation victorious come throbs of new life, to find expression in multitudes of different ways, pulsating through all the arteries of social life. It is a charge of character to a nation; a new development which, while it does not by any means destroy its identity, yet brings into its composition a new element forbidding it ever being just the same as before. What names the different changes may assume to themselves, and how they shall finally transform or stimulate a people, is a very interesting study in deed. We make no doubt but that all the advantages at least, if not all the disadvantages, accruing to the Yankees will be pointed out in due time. And what to the defeated people? Effects, strong and permanent. different in many respects from those of the victorious, but none the less sensibly felt. To the Cubans themselves it means, finally, surely, the destruction of their national life. Whether this is or is not a final good for them is a very profitable and very interesting question. As a fact of history, and as a question of senti-ment, it is a mournful thing to see any people slip out of existence as a people. With them go customs, modes of thought, institutions, generally primitive, it is true, but which appeal strongly to the lover of humanity and its student. We are the losers whether the Cubans are or not. One phase of human life, interesting and variegated, giving yet more light upon complex human nature is lost to mankind. Of the many branches of industry influenced by the war, of this we are certain, art will be very sensibly affected, and we believe for good. This means more good to a country than commercial powers will at all see or acknowledge. We have great faith indeed in a strong, vigorous art life in propelling a country's best interest. Not just now will there be benefit; on the contrary, exhibitions of art are quite too tame functions in the meantime. All such will feel

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the effects at present. Many pictures will not be purchased this year. It will be a year of collecting material, to the artist; not a very profitable year immediately. But there will be an impetus given to painting, to designing, to decorating, Already are sculptors preparing the marble wherewith to honor the heroes when it is finally revealed who the real heroes areshall that be revealed, by the way?-and wherein their honor consists. There will be new subjects for the artist-subjects the people will ever rejoice in. Whenever in any nation containing any true art element great and important changes have transpired, not only have the pages of history contained the tale, but it has been most distinctly portrayed on canvas by the artist. We venture to predict that the 1900 Exposition will tell som tales of the late war. Portraiture will profit and many a new face and form will be added to the nation's album. The oming in to such a people as the Cubans of a nation who are really beginning to be reckoned with in the art centers of the world, means very much. In Italy, in Paris, in our British Royal Academy, Americans are coming to the front as artists. In portraiture and sculpture particularly is their influence felt. They are perhaps making more rapid progress today than any other nation, considering their youth, in decorative work. Their influence in this department can mean only good to Cuba. Spain itself is not likely to be stimulated much in this line. Art growth implies joy and enthusiasm, neither of which qualities may be supposed to be very conspicuous in Spanish life as the result of this encounter. Whatever baneful influences the war may exert on Americans and Cubans judging from any other standpoint, we believe from the standpoint of art it will be a conspicuous and lasting good.

> Some of the remaining works of Sir E Burne Jones were disposed of recently in divisions of ninety lots. The total realized was £23,860, or an average of £265 apiece. Love and the Pilgrim, a picture which was said to have been purchased for the Duchess of Sutherland, sold for 5,500 guineas, and the Fall of Lucifer for 1,000 guineas. Valuable as are the paintings of this most refined artist, yet to the student the studies and preliminary draw ings, executed for his pictures, and which contain the key to his methods, his reasons for his course pursued, his selection of material, etc., are of inestimable value They are in themselves a history of the mental development and technical perfec tion of the great artist. A large number of these drawings have been reproduced by photography and no doubt will be circulated. They are each in themselves a picture and a true "Burne-Jones."

A great centennial celebration of the birth of Victor Hugo is to be arranged for 1902. Previous to that time four or five more of his posthumous works are to be published. Paul Menrico, the only surviving literary executor, to whom, with Auguste Vacquerio, was to be given one-half of the proceeds of the copyright on his posthumous works, has given up the right to these funds to the Comité Victor Hugo, which intends to erect a great monument to the

The sculptor Barras has already been at work on the monument for quite a while, and it is expected it will be in every way worthy of the great writer. It is to be hoped Barras may be more successful in executing this statue than Rodin has been in his Balzac. It will be safer to keep more in the limits of conventional repre-sentation when a mixed multitude is to be pleased, that is, if pleasing a multitude is one of the requirements of art. It is certainly necessary to a cheque on the completion of the contract.

A most interesting book, full of instructive matter and of special interest to the artist, is Dr. Robertson's new work on the Venetian Church of St. Mark. This church is a treasure-house of precious marbles, the ruins of Roman cities and conquered towns being ransacked for its decoration. Every kind of marble known to the ancients may be found in this superb building-verde antique from Thessaly; red, green and serpentine porphyries; red and gray bimachella, or shell marbles; pavonine from Sinnada, in Phrygia; red syenite granite from Syena (the modern Assouan); alabaster from Thebes; Parian marbles and African breecias, with Sardonic agate and Oriental jaspers. Its interior is like that of a great golden casket ; its exterior a bewildering wealth of statuary, lace-like carving, resplendent gilding and superb coloring. It is little wonder that the Most Serene Republic regarded her Church of St. Mark as her most sacred and prized possession. It was, as Dr. Robertson shows, the center of Venetian life.

Another work of interest, much simpler in character, one of a series, which is appearing, and which may be found, as far with a good servant. as it has gone, in the Parliamentary Library, is the life of Sir Thomas Law-rence, by Lord Ronald Gower. These books are merely sketches, quite popularly written, giving many interesting facts which help to explain why each artist was what he was, which is, of course, what we most wish to know. JEAN GRANT.

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Everything we do is strictly first-class. She sighed, blushed, and shook her head.
"You got into the market too late, count," President. It was made from the timbers she said in her business-like way; "it has already been cornered." The next day her search of Sir John Franklin in 1852. The engagement to a young man on the board ship was caught in the ice and had to be

#### Peaceful Brown

ARMER BROWN was a firm believer in arbitration, a soft answer, and the other concomitants of peace. For a long time Brown was sorely tried by one Peters, who was wont to pasture his cows in Brown's fields. The idea of providing a pasture of his own seemed never to enter the head of the guileless Peters. His stock was of what may be described as the batteringram breed, and the fence which they could not bunt down they either crawled through or jumped over.

For several years Brown made only the mildest of protests to Peters as he drove the marauding beasts back to their home. Other neighbors advised various things, ranging from a suit at law to a sound thrashing, to all of which Brown turned the ear of deafness. But his hour came at last. He was one day driving home the Peters herd of predatory bovines when he met a wayfaring man who asked for work. An idea struck Farmer "Yes," he replied, "I can give you a job. I'm just starting to drive these cattle to market at Downingville. You go on with 'em while I saddle up and follow on horseback. Got some little chores to do, and may not catch you for a while, but you get right along. Bound to overtake you some time. If I shouldn't, just round 'em up by the station and wait." The man trudged off, driving the cows before him, while Brown returned to his potatoes. It was sixteen miles to Downngville, and when, three days after, Peters gathered together his cows about the purlieus of Downingville, and drove them sadly home, he resolved then and there to establish a pasture.

#### The Honest Man Who Pays.

There is one among the many, Can you tell me where he stays: He's an odd, old-fashioned party, Called the honest man, who pays Yes—the honest man who pays Every dollar he may owe, Keeping up the good old ways That so many scarcely know.

If he gives his word of promise Tis a bond as good as gold;
If he holds a post of honor,
Not a trust is ever sold By the honest man who pay-Every debt he may incur ielding each a just award, And no grudging or demur

And I'm told this rare old party Lives—within his income, won y the fairest, squarest dealing We see beneath this sun. And the honest man who pays

Always holds it good and right, For the rich to help the needy When the times are tough and tight

#### Not the Hen.

There appears to be no end to the humors of examination. It appears that at an elementary examination in English two sentences were given out to be rected by the younger scholars. The first sentence was to be corrected as to its subject matter and the second sentence as to its syntax. These were the sentences :

The hen has three legs. Who done it?

When the papers were handed in, it was found that one of the examiners had ap parently regarded the sentences as subtly connected in thought, for his answer was

The hen didn't done it ; God done it

#### Unprofitable Adam. Youths' Companion

There is occasion for much beating about the bush for answers to many questions put by wise theologues to timid people, but one set of men found their match in the old Scotchwoman under examination for admission to church-fel-

What are the decrees of God?" she vas solemnly asked.

'Indeed, I trow, He kens that best

'What kind of a man was Adam?" "Ou, just like ither fouk," was the quick

The questioner insisted on a more definite answer. "Weel," said she, "he was just like Jeems Madden, ye ken."

Weel, naebody got anything by him, and mony lost."

How many young men, candidates for matrimony, could win a wife were they unexpectedly put under the test of the shrewd Scotch girl who surprised her mistress by announcing:

"Lady, I maun tell ye I am to leave your

service and to be marritt."
"Is not this very sudden, Mary?" enquired the lady. "Who is the person you expect to marry?"

"It is John Scott, mistress." But you have known him but a short time; how can you trust a stranger?'

with a good servant. "Yes, 'tis true; but he's ken himsel' mony years and he says he's all right, and I believe he is, for I asked him, 'Did he ken the Ten Commandments?' and he gave them ivery one. I asked him co he say the Shorter Catechism, and he had it ivery word; then I told him to grip his hands quick and hard, and then, lady. I saw he was a strong man and I'm goin' to gie him my hand."

A Ruler's Desk.

The desk used at the White House by the President of the United States is interesting in itself, apart from its connection with the ruler of a nation, for it is a token of the good-will existing between two peoples. Although occupying so prominent a place in the official residence of the United States' chosen governor, it is not of American manufacture.

It was fashioned in England, and was a of trade was announced,-Chicago Post. abandoned. It was not destined to go to

pieces in frozen waters, however. American whaler discovered and extricated it in 1855, and it was subsequently purchased and sent to Her Majesty by the President and people of the United States as a token of good will and friendship.

In an English dockyard the Resolute was at last broken up, and from her timbers a desk was made, which was sent by Her Majesty "as a memorial of the courtesy and lovingkindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the Reso-

At this desk, itself a representative of the kindly feeling of both nations, the President does the greater part of his

#### A Very Proper Wish.

Harper's Monthly.
I hope some day to have such fame
That, while some folks may jeer and scoff,
All others, when they speak my name,
Will surely leave the "mister" off.

For I've observed that people speak Of Milton, Keats and Thackeray Without a prefix poor and weak
To push them on their glorious way

And I would like it to appear As truly strange to mister me As to a sane and healthy ear To speak of Mr. Homer 'd be

Mrs. Crimsonbeak (as her husband

comes in late at night)—What does the clock say, John? Mr. Crimsonbeak (with difficulty)-Nothing, madam, nothing. It's got sense enough not to say anything.

'Arry (whose "old Dutch" has been shopping, and has kept him waiting a shopping, and the considerable time) — Wot d'yer mean, keepin' me standin' abaat 'ere like a bloomin' fool? 'Arriet—I can't 'elp the way yer stand, 'Arry.

"If I were only a man," she said, "we could-" "Possibly we could," he said, 'but the chances are we wouldn't. If you were a man I wouldn't be here. be saying nice things to somebody who wasn't a man." Sometimes it is worth while to think of such facts as these.—

" Now, about the way they are running this war," began the man who usually has a great deal of time on his hands. "I've got no time to talk of it," answered Farmer Corntossel, who was figuring on a piece of brown paper with the stump of a lead pencil. "But the board of strategy "I can't help it. It wasn't none of my doin's in the first place. I've got to figger out how to make four dollars and seventy-five cents profit out of the city people that's comin' here to pay seven dollars a week, an' calc'late just how much canned vegetables, dried beef, and condensed milk we can get 'em to take with-out kickin'. I've no time to think about any board of strategy. My time's com-pletely tuck up with the strategy of board."-Washington Star

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York organist, in an article on American

Organs contributed to the recent splendid

national edition of the Musical Courier,

states some interesting details concerning

Guilmant, in preparing for a recital. He

During the recent American tour of Alexandre Guilmant, which was attended

with such phenomenal results, he fre-quently rehearsed for hours, and on several occasions nearly the entire day. No one has had a more extended exper-

lence in inaugurating new organs and playing the instruments of different builders than this great artist, and if this was necessary for him, what would it be

a thorough preparation of the programme to be performed.

The interest taken in organ recitals in

A recent writer figures out that the

the methods employed by his master, M

The great Berlioz evidently had little love for the piano as a medium of expres sing in music the highest thoughts of a composer. Whilst much that has been written by him regarding the lifeless character of the most popular of all musical instruments is doubtless correct, the following extracts from his writings will show to what degree he aflowed his prejudices to influence him. On the question of orchestral music reduced for the piano he writes:

piano he writes:

It is useless to attempt to prove that it is possible to appreciate at its proper value an orchestra composition thus mutilated. Nothing is farther from the truth. It is true the piano may be made to give an idea of a composition that is known upon the orchestra first. In that case the memory is awake, it supplies what is lacking and one is stirred by the souvenir.

But for a new work of the modern school it is impossible, absolutely impossible to glean any idea from a piano transcription.

sible to glean any idea from a piano transcription.

A piece of the school of Sacchini, for instance, or of any school of this class, in which there is no instrumentation, there it might be possible. But in any work in which the writer has in the least profited by the resources of present music art it is not to be done.

Try, for example, the march in the Coronation Mass by Cherubini. What would become on a piano of those exquisite and delicious holdings of the wood instruments, which plunge you into such a condition of mystic eestasy: of these ravishing twinings and weavings of flutes and clarinets which produce all the effect? They must disappear entirely, as the piano can neither hold nor swell a tone.

Take the air of Agamemnon in lphigenie

They must disappear entrepy, acron neither hold nor swell a tone.

Take the air of Agamemnon in Iphigenie en Aulide. In the verse:

"I bear throbbling through my breast the plaintive cry of nature," there is a hautbois solo, penetrating and admirable. But on the pianoeach of the notes is but a stroke of a clock, nothing more. The idea, the thought, the inspiration are wholly beformed.

do not speak of grand orchestral I do not speak of grand orchestral effects, the piquant oppositions established between groups of wind and string instruments, the blocks of color which separate wood from brass, the mysterious effects of the instruments of percussion in soft passages, their enormous power in full force, the striking effects which result from the varied distancing of harmonious masses, nor of a hundred and one things conally remarkable.

I say simply that injustice and absurdity are here shown up in all their hateful homeliness. Is it not evident that the piano, which is capable of reducing every effect and destroying every beauty, must be baneful to composers and in the highest sense unjust I A skilful, sound, deep and ingenious instrumentalist is by it put on a plane with the most ignorant member of his class, who does not know the first principles of his art, not to speak of genius. One may have grouped a mass of absurdities and musical crimes, while the other has composed a superb orchestra; yet by an execution of the two works on a piano a connoisseur even can see no difference between them.

The plano for composers is a guillotine, destined to behead all the nobles and which I say simply that injustice and absurdity

ever ready to give his services gratis, arrives at conclusions which make wholesome reading for many professional musi cians of this city, where a goodly portion of the public seems to feel that a favor is conferred upon artists who may be invited to take part, without remuneration, in ten-cent concerts and tea-fights. cline the invitation of such people on the plea of professional privileges is often times most bitterly resented, although it is extremely doubtful whether a teameeting committee, having a law-suit h hand, would have the assurance to tackle a leading lawyer and "invite" him to conduct their case gratis. The Musical Courier says of this aspect of the case: The American musician must cease playing and singing free of charge; he must elevate his profession to the standard and level of other professions by demanding the requisite compensation, and he must refuse his services unless he receives his fees. That must be his conduct in the future if respect is to be gained, if a career is to be made, if the profession of the musician is to be created into a legitimate social function. Many musicians are now making excellent livelihoods and gathering capital for their old days by insisting upon the inforce ment of these rules; but where there now are thousands of such people there would be tens of thousands if a large number of others would desist from the unbealthy and demoralizing habit of singing and playing without compensation. hould be taken among the members of the musical fraternity to put an end to the practice that makes among many the professional pursuit of music here a system of refined beggary and personal humiliation, with all the evils that follow such practices. Any organized effort look ing toward the abatement of these methods would be hailed with delight by a mass of musicians who are unwillingly drawn into this maelstrom of indigency

The compiler of the significant statistics which give details of the manner in which the enormous sum stated above is made up, de

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possibly not much beyond the mark, must pensating for them. The best plan would be to publish permanently in these columns a list of all musicians who are

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pupils o cost of debets in Europe, nine-tenths of which constitute practical failures

Mr. R. Jefferson Hall, formerly of this city, whose success in Little Rock, Ark., ince he took up his residence in that city about seven years ago has several times been commented on in these columns, has been offered and has accepted the position of organist and choirmaster of Calvary Episcopal church, Memphis, Tenn., one of the largest and wealthiest churches in the Southern States. Flattering inducements were held out to Mr. Hall to remain in

playing the instruments of different builders than this great artist, and if this was necessary for him, what would it be for the average organist?

In referring to M. Guilmant, his method of rehearsal in learning a new organ is a model that should be studied and followed by all students of the "king of instruments." On reaching an organ new to him the first observation is the "organ seat," which is invariably too high. This must be lowered before any work is began, a d the sexton has to find a saw to accomplish the task. The exact height of the seat as used by M. Guilmant is 19½ inches (measuring from middle C to the top of the seat), and although M. Guilmant is not tall, still the height preferred by him has been invariably satisfactory and an improvement to the organists who have tried them, as it enables one to use the heel with greater ease and facility. This done, M. Guilmant draws each stop and improvises upon each individual one to ascertain the exact quality and timbre, after which he begins the programme, and goes through it from beginning to end. Not a phrase or note is neglected, and everything receives the most careful and minute attention. Even in the pieces which he himself has composed and played for many years it is astounding to see with what care he will rehearse them. He recently said to me on returning from a concert in Boston that to him the playing of an organ piece was like placing a set of dominos in a box—each domino must be put in its proper place and fitted in, otherwise at the end there would not be room for all and consequently the box would not be complete. So must the value of each note be adhered to and every detail in the interpretation rehearsed. Certainly in the present age of rush and hurry this is a most important point to consider, for the results as attained by Mr. Guilmant can be accemplished only by taking ample time for rehearsal and in a thorough prepararion of the programme to be performed.

The interest taken in organ recitals in Little Rock, but the larger field offered by his Memphis engagement finally induced him to make the move. Prior to their departure from Little Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Hall were made the recipients of a handsome presentation and address by their many friends in that city. Mrs. Hall will be remembered by many as at one time soprano soloist in the Jarvis street Baptist ehurch choir of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Hall are at present visiting friends and relatives in Toronto. A French scientist has a theory that

music has an effect upon the growth of the hair; that various musical instruments have a tendency to increase the growth of hair on the heads of players, while other instruments tend to make the musicians bald, which is held to account for the fact, if it be a fact, that pianists and violinists usually have hair in plenty, while those who play on brass horns are usually deficient in hirsute adornment. The Music Trade Review, commenting on the matter, observes that "music has long been known to have therapeutic qualities, and is useful in many nervous diseases, and now it seems that it may be useful as a hair tonic.'

In view of the proposed business venture of the Associated Board of the Royal Academy of Music and the Royal College of Music, in instituting examinations in The interest taken in organ recitats in this country and the increasing demand for them, as well as an appreciation for pure organ music during recent years, is most commendable and bespeaks the place America will hold with the other nations in a short space of time.

I many perhaps, at some future date be added to the above stating particulars of the amounts taken out of this country by our Old Country examiners, notwithstanding that "philanthropy," "Immay, perhaps, at some future date be added to the above stating particulars of standing that "philanthropy," perial Federation" and concern for our 'artistic advancement" are declared to be amount of money contributed by Ameri- the motives which prompt the invasion of cans to European musical institutions this land by the Associated Board.

ference between them.

The plane for composers is a guillotine, destined to behead all the nobles and which only the plebelans need not fear.

annually aggregates the enormous average of \$7,000,000. One source of the plebelans need not fear.

Simon's church, left the city on Thursday revenue derived by Europe from Americal Simon's church, left the city on Thursday of last week on a holiday camping and The Musical Crucier, in an editorial article dealing with the musician who is of the money paid to foreign schools, in a manner which would do many a pro- | dear; he probably will later on. - Truth.

The Golden Key.

teachers and trainers by American pupils. fessional artist credit. Some of his waterwhich will equal Mr. Harrison's vacation which will equipe efforts along this line.

A cablegram was received in Montreal last week saying that Mr. Grinsted of London, England, had sailed for Canada on the Parisian to make preparations for the local examinations in connection with the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and Royal College of Music, which are to be held in the principal centers of Canada in November next.

Moderato.

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Holmes and party of Chatham; Mrs. Hager and Miss Gibson of Grimsby; the Band, and the excellent cuisine of the summer hotel is gaining quite a renown.

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Herr Rudolf Ruth left on Thursday afternoon for a two years' sojourn in Berlin, which time he will devote to study, and afterwards return to Toronto.

Mr. Alfred O. Beardmore left on Wednesday for a transatlantic sojourn, which it is hoped will benefit his health.

A very pleasant and smart contingent daughter, Beatrice, are visiting the International Exhibition at Omaha. of society folks are summering at De Grassi Point as usual. This week Miss Bessie Macdonald joined them, the guest of Major Macdonald.

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Miss Lillie Lee and Miss Amy Lee of Beverley street have returned home after four weeks visiting friends at Napanee, Bath, Kingstow, the Thousand Islands, Picton, and the Sand Banks.

Mrs. E. Oliver, Miss Rose Oliver and Messis, A. E. and E. W. Oliver leave on Saturday for a few weeks' stay at Morinus House, Lake Rosseau, Muskoka.

Mr. Angus Kirkland, manager of the Bank of Montreal, is back once more at his duties in the office after the enjoyment of a month's holiday.

Dr. Temple, sr., of Simcoe street, left last Saturday to spend the holiday with his family at Lake Simcoe. I hear his daughter's accident while bathing gave considerable anxiety, which is now removed by her recovery.

Mr. E. Hay, inspector of the Imperial Bank, spent Civic Holiday at Port Colborne, where his family are summering.

Dr. Webster of 32 Bloor street west sailed on Thursday for Europe and intends to return about October 1.

Mr. George J. Little, formerly the well nown chemist of Parkdale, is visiting friends in the city after an absence of two years on the Pacific Slope. His friends are pleased to see him in excellent health

On Wednesday, Aug. 3, at the residence of Mr. Isaac Anderson, 1451 King street west, Parkdale, Miss Nettie, third daugh ter of Mr. Anderson, was married to Mr. Henry Stevenson of South Lyon, Mich. The wedding was a quiet one on account of the recent death of the bride's brother. She wore a traveling-costume of blue Bedford cord. Miss Ida and Miss Jennie Anderson, sisters of the bride, and Miss Nellie Richies did the honors as brides-maids, while Mr. Charles A. Fisher of Plymouth, Mich., and Messrs. John and Norman Anderson acted as grooms The ceremony was performed at 2:30 by Rev. R. Daniels of Niagara Falls. After refreshments and congratulations the happy couple left on the Niagara boat for a trip through the United States cities west, and thence to South Lyon, Mich.

Miss Margaret Lemmon left for Chicago on Tuesday to spend her vacation with her cousin, Miss Ethel Scharf.

Mr. D. R. Wilkie, general manager of the Imperial Bank, leaves shortly on an extended trip in the West.

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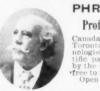
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#### Social and Personal.

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High up in the Parliament buildings there is a big red eye looking out these nights—a sure sign the Legislative As-sembly of Ontario is sitting. All the galleries have been well filled every evening with spectators listening to the speakers, whose principal theme seems to be "constables" this session.

Mr. William Bowman and Mr. T. W. Conlan are at present on a two weeks wheeling tour through Western Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lundy of Toronto are visiting Mrs. Lundy's sister, Mrs. E. B. Abercrombie of New York, at Grassy Island, Stony Lake.

Col. and Mrs. Tait of Norfolk, Va., and J. J. McLaren. Q.C., wife and family, are guests at the Wigwam, Ravenswood Park, Jackson's Point.

At The Hall Sir Casimir Gzowski is still an invalid, and finds the summer very exhausting. He has not been downstairs

Mr. and Mrs. Mullin of Glen road spent a few days in Chatham with Mrs. Mullin's sister, Mrs. William Douglas, this week.

Mrs. Arthur Ross went to Napanee for the wedding of her pretty little friend, Miss Alix Macdonald, on Thursday. Mr. Don Ross is visiting Sir William Van Horne's family at their summer home.

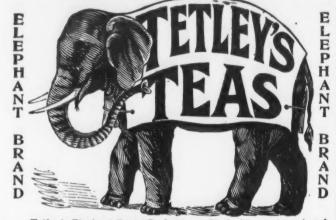
Sir George Kirkpatrick has not been so well for the past fortnight. He has been for several days confined to bed. Her ladyship is a most devoted nurse.

The following are recent arrival, at the Robinson House, Big Bay Point: Miss Margaret Sawisland, Miss E. Mason, Miss Nellie Taylor, Miss Margaret Stewart, Mr. A. B. Mosey, Mr. G. Stewart Scott, Mr. H. J. Marriott, Mr. Charles Constance, Mr. and Mrs. Henry R. Alley and family, Mr. R. S. Neville of Toronto; Mr. J. J. Coulter Bradford: Mr. G. D. Nesbitt of Gler huron ; Mr. Thomas A. Sawyer of Ottawa Mr. John S. Hogg, Mr. T. T. Aikens of Galt; Miss Edna Freek of St. Thomas; Mr. A. G. Graham of Peterboro': Mr. G. A. Smith of London.

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#### Deserved Patronage.

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